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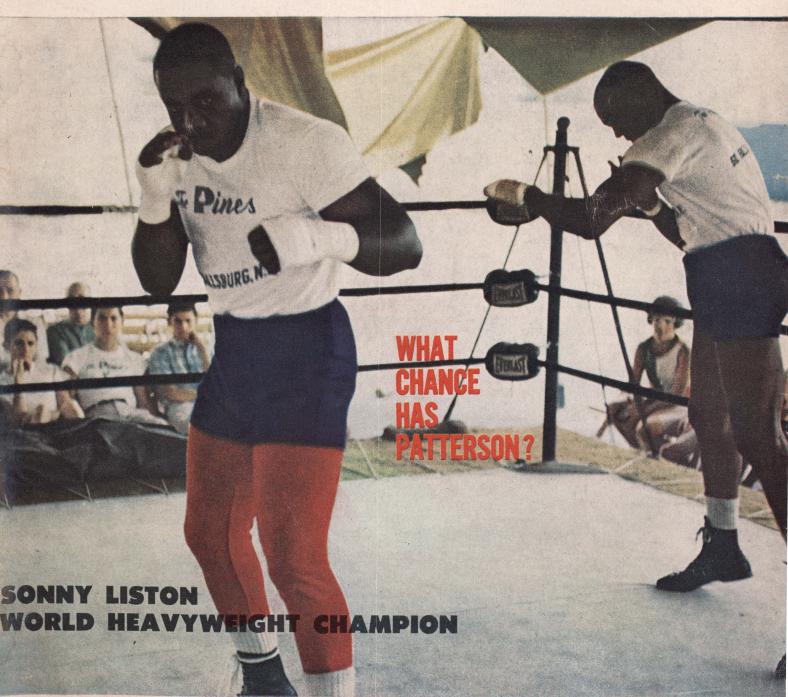
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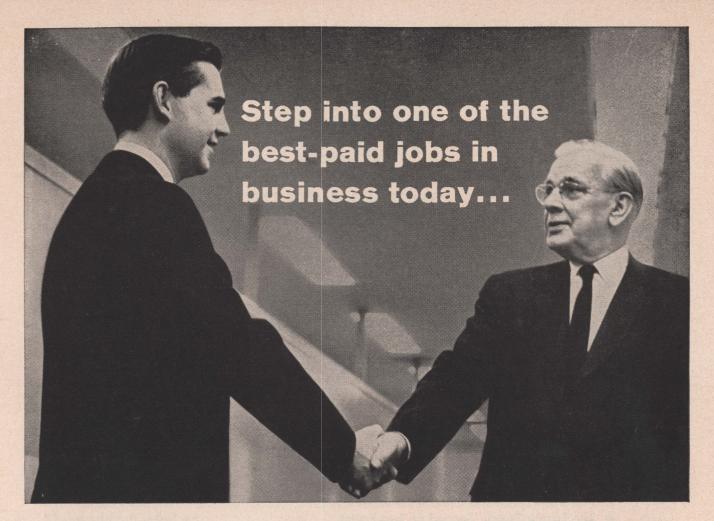
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NAT FLEISCHER

Speaks Out!!!



This is an era of investigations. If it isn't in business it is in sports.

It is a means to an end so far as legislators are concerned. They find that even if such investigations are based on the flimsiest of reasons, the publicity is well worth the gamble.

Let's take the Kefauver Rackets hearings and the New York State Legislative Committee, each of which was organized for the purpose of investigating boxing.

After two years of research, investigations in many parts of the country and long hearings, the Kefauver Bill that called for a National Commissioner of Boxing never was presented in Congress.

Objections by those who feared loss of state jobs if the government took over the supervisions of boxing dictated the final action.

In New York, a legislative committee was appointed to investigate boxing following the unfortunate death of Benny Kid Paret in Madison Square Garden. It's aim was to learn if every precaution was taken to protect the lives of contestants.

Instead, what happened? The Committee devoted the greater part of the investigation to the moral aspect of boxing, its alleged control by gangsters, and the desirability of the continuation of boxing in New York.

The probers went all out to prove that boxing, unlike any other contact sport, aims to kill, maim, and injure.

I spent an hour on the stand before the Albany Committee during which I outlined the good and bad in the sport. I suggested means to cure the ills that have made boxing the football of sports.

In a special hearing before the New York legislative committee, which lasted four hours, every phase of boxing was discussed. An outline of the sport over the past fifty years was placed on record, showing the various changes in legislation for the betterment of boxing. It was agreed that more measures have been adopted for the safety of the contestants in boxing than in any other contact sport.

In contact sports, whether it be boxing, football, basketball, hockey or even baseball, there is an element of danger. We all accept that.

Let's analyze the situation for only one year -- 1962. From September 7 through December 1 there were 32 football deaths. In the first three weeks of the season, six high school boys died. In the entire season there were 22 schoolboy fatalities. Of the other ten, two were semi-pros and the remainder collegians.

In racing, four deaths were recorded. In auto racing, 42. In basketball, 6. In baseball 8, track and field 6; cyclists, 6; jockeys, 4.

Mind you, these are all seasonal sports that lasted only a short period. But in boxing, a world-wide year 'round sport, only 12 fatalities were registered. Four took place in our country --two pros and two amateurs, and because of these, which cover a period of one full year, the cry has been raised to kill boxing.

The very week that the New York State legislative Committee began to investigate the death of Paret, a 16 year old high school boy from Hudson Falls was killed on the gridiron. The investigation that followed, consisted of an examination by the district attorney of the coach, the trainer, and the high school principal. The report stated that the boy died from a brain concussion caused when he was tackled.

Did the State legislative Committee investigate the reason the boy died, the rules under which he played and the possibility that proper precautions were not taken? No.

I asked the committee why it didn't investigate that death and football in general, since 22 boys had died as against four in boxing in our country. The answer was that they were not required to do that.

I call that discrimination.

Boxing should not bear the brunt of an attack when more serious situations exist in other contact sports.

In a recent article in the "Saturday Evening Post," President Eisenhower stated:

"All children should engage in some type of sports. They should engage in healthful outdoor play and where possible in competitive sports. When I think of the startling statistics on physical rejects in the drafts of World War II and the Korean conflict, I shudder. I place the blame on our failure as a people to place enough emphasis on the cleansing therapy of vigorous physical (Continued on page 43)

"I've changed my tune"

By Kenny Lane

USED to be an out and out spoiler. That I was not making many friends did not bother me. The big thing was to win, at all costs. I have matured out of this philosophy, have found that I am better than ever, and I am in an exultant mood.

I'm so happy about the change I feel as full of ambition as some youngster just starting. Hey, I am a youngster. I'm a young 30. I'll be that April 9. Seriously, I'm fighting better now than at any time in my career, and that goes back to 1953.

Don't get me wrong. I'm still Kenny Lane, southpaw. I still hold my right hand in front of me to jab and hook. I still hold my left at the ready to cross to the head or to dig in to the body. Those are details of style. The big thing is outlook and there's where I have changed.

When I was going along in my old way, I only thought of how to outsmart the other fellow. A win was a win and I got more than my share. I got to be well known but I also discovered that the name fighters I wanted to fight, and the name fighters I deserved to fight, were inventing excuses to duck me.

Now I go in there to make it a wide-open fight. I say, "If the other fellow can beat me, good luck to him; If I take him, he has to admit I've got something he hasn't." Well, it has been the second way a lot more often than the first. And what's really important about in the end result is that promoters all over the world are asking for me. I'm getting the fights that hold me in the limelight. I'm making good money.



Southpaw Lane tells how he shifted from just a spoiler into a formidable title contender.

The surprising part of the whole deal is that forcing a fight comes more naturally to me than being a cutie. I do come from a fighting family. My dad loved to box. The sad part is he was killed in an auto accident when I was only eight years old but I remember his teaching me and my brothers.

TWO RINGS GOING AT ONCE IN LANE HOME

My mother tells me I couldn't have been more than four at the time of those first lessons. She wishes she had taken some pictures. Pop had a whole "stable" with our four boys. There was Pearce, then Gordon, Roger and myself. And sometimes, mom says, our living room looked like old Stillman's Gym, two rings going at once.

Later all of us boxed in the amateurs. Pearce, the oldest, went to Michigan State when Chuck Davey and Chuck Speiser were there. He was on the college team and you may recall Michigan State used to walk off with the Intercollegiates year after year. Pearce made the U.S. Olympic team in the 1956 Games. He was good enough to box pro and probably would have, if he hadn't become a pilot in the Army. He decided to make the service a career and will stay in until retirement age, I guess. He currently ranks as a captain.

I was born right handed and I don't play ball or write southpaw. Talking of Pearce reminds me that he's responsible for my fighting lefty. It was like this: He always had height and weight on me and, when we'd spar, I would get the worst of it. One day, just to better defend myself, I switched on him. It worked. I stayed with it when I began having bouts on the outside.

It's a funny thing. Against amateurs, being a southpaw didn't help too much. I know the reason. Those kids were so scrambly



Kenny came very close to winning the lightweight title in his bout with Joe Brown in Houston, Texas, on July 23, 1958. Only a strong rally in the final round saved the title for Brown. Despite this fine performance Lane was not given another shot at the crown.



Kenny poses proudly with his Mother and Father. Lane is a real family man who rushes right home to Muskegon, Michigan, after a fight no matter in what part of the world it has taken place.



Lane, who is always available to speak at sports dinners, was the guest of honor at this one in his home town. Monsignor Kerhen and Father Pleaka, two old friends, were on hand to help honor Kenny.



Kenny's friend and manager, Pete Petrosky (center), and former top lightweight contender Wes Ramey, who is Kenny's ring idol, sign autographs for members of a little league team in Big Rapids. Lane is a baseball fan and has always done a lot to help support the Little Leaguers.

in style and the bouts were so short it meant nothing. The last three amateur fights I had were losses. Soon as I got in the pros it was another story. Those boys were accustomed to setting up an attack and following through. I confused them, I tantalized them. I won 17 in a row and became the Michigan state champion.

RUNS LAUNDRY AS A CLEANUP SIDELINE

I'm strictly a Michigan man. I was born in Big Rapids, which everybody confuses with Grand Rapids. Big Rapids is a little town 50 miles north of Grand Rapids. We lived on a farm near there. Grand Rapids has about 200,000 population and is a world-famous furniture center. Nearest place of any size to Big Rapids is Muskegon, which is on Lake Michigan, and I make my home there now.

In fact, I'm a business man in Muskegon. I've got a laundry there, one of those wash-it-yourself deals. It represents an investment of \$75,000, but it's something I can rely on for the future.

Most of this \$75,000 I'm paying off on notes. I meet them out of boxing income, so you see why I had to straighten out and fly right. You have to be a hit to make the sort of dough I need.

I have unlocked the secret, as they used to say in the TV commercials and I'll make it work for me for two things—to (A) pay off the laundry, (B) to get me the lightweight championship.

Four years ago I came close to the title against Joe Brown in Houston, about as close as you can get without winning it. The last round in the 15 saved it for him. But that was the 'old Lane.' The 'new Lane' wouldn't have allowed it to come down to the wire with the decision in doubt.

You don't know how many times I fought that bout over in my mind. Now I realize I had Brown in the fifth, then in the 11th, again in the 14th. Coming out for the last round, the crowd was yelling "Lane's the new champ." Still, let's face it, I didn't want to be champ enough then.

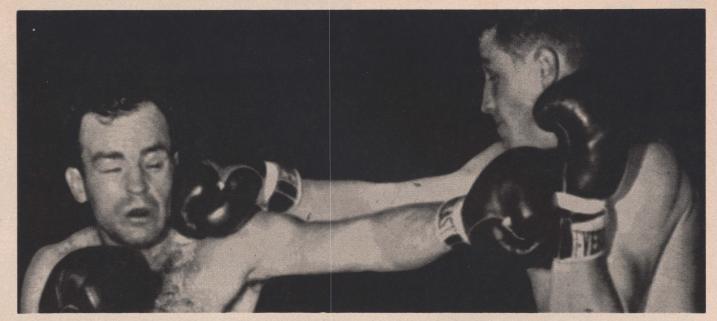
At that, it rated a rematch but Brown wasn't about to give me a second chance. And the reason he gave was a lulu. He told a newspaperman "All southpaws ought to be taken to the river and drowned. I'll never fight one again." Yet one year later he defended against Dave Charnley, the English southpaw! That was no mystery. He knew he could hit Charnley and cut



Kenny's wife Ruth looks on as he receives a plaque from the people of Big Rapids as a token of thanks for all that he has done to help the sports programs of the town and for his good sportsmanship in and out of boxing.



Kenny's brother, Lieut. Pearce Lane, holds his hand aloft as a sign of victory after Lane had fought Brown. Lieut. Lane had flown all the way from Germany to see the fight.



Lane lands a long right to the face of Frankie Ryff during their fight. Although a southpaw, Lane is a crafty boxer, who ranks with Lew Tendler among the southpaw boxers of all time. Most lefthanders have been strong punchers, few were clever.

him up (for a sixth-round TKO). He found out he couldn't tag me hard enough to bring me down.

ORTIZ ONE LIGHTWEIGHT LANE WANTS TO MEET

But all things happen for the best, I've been told, and I'm beginning to believe it.

After me, Brown had title fights with six other men, including another helping of Charnley, and didn't lose his championship until the spring of 1962, when he made a terrible showing losing most of the 15 to Ortiz in a Las Vegas TV fight.

With Ortiz up there, it couldn't have worked out finer for me. The one lightweight I'm confident I can handle is Ortiz. This isn't an idle boast. Five months after I fought Brown I met Ortiz in a Miami Beach TV fight. It was a good contest but he couldn't squawk, I won it clearly.

Early in 1959 Teddy Brenner, Madison Square Garden matchmaker, wanted to revive the junior welterweight championship at 140 pounds. He asked me if I would go back with Ortiz at 12 rounds. Why not? I hadn't had a tough time with him in 10.

Right from the start, I went like gangbusters. I took everything he threw, fired even more back at him. But the fight didn't get very far past the start. In the second round he bobbed in with his head while I was dipping. The result was a cut over my eyes and on my forehead which gushed blood as if it were pumping oil. The referee stepped in and it was called a TKO against me.

On fair play, Ortiz should have fought me again and before anybody else. The new title had been created between us. It wasn't a question of him having defended something that belonged to him.

But he cut out with the crown for other parts and other opponents. In Los Angeles he got a good touch knocking out Battling Torres, a kid they wouldn't dare let in the ring with me. San Francisco promoters brought in that Italian, Duilio Loi, for a fight. Ortiz was well paid for fighting Loi, whom he beat.

Ortiz's margin wasn't too big and he went to Milan to fight Loi again. He got good money but he blew the title. They gave him another shot in Milan and it had to be just a paynight, he must have known the odds were against him winning there.



Kenny was on hand to greet many of his friends at the opening of the new student center at Ferris Institute. His winning personality has made him a popular idol throughout the state of Michigan and wherever he has fought.

What stays in my craw is the way Ortiz brushed me off. And, now that he has the much more valuable lightweight championship, I expect he'll pull the same thing. In fact, he already has. I'm a patient guy, I can wait. Sooner or later, he'll have to fight me because I'm right at the top of the lightweight contenders and I'll stay there.

When it finally happens, the 'new' Lane will get even for the 'old' Lane. The 'new Lane' has the 'old' Lane's know-how, with a new fireballing approach. That's going to be a lot more than Ortiz can cope with.

I could give you a wonderful 'for-instance' on the 'new' Lane. In April of 1962, one (Continued on page 42)

Patterson Entitled to Chance for Reversal



By DAN DANIEL

N September 25, 1962, at Comiskey Park, Chicago, 18,894 boxing enthusiasts contributed to a gate of \$665,420 and saw Sonny Liston take the world heavy-weight title from Floyd Patterson with a left hook knockout in 2 minutes 6 seconds of the first round.

On April 11, 1963, in Miami Beach Convention Hall, Liston will afford to Patterson an opportunity to recover the championship.

The question arises—How many customers will turn out for this fight?

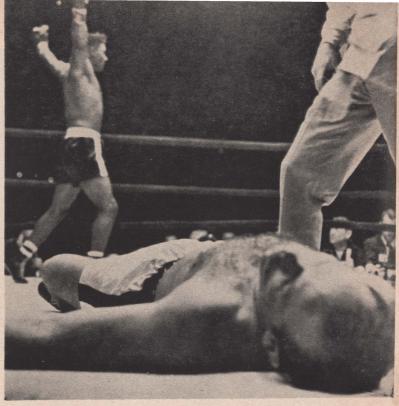
In the first place, how many fans will be willing to pay the heavy \$100 and \$50 imposts for a contest which, on the surface, has no great chance to last very much longer than the Comiskey Park affair?

In the second place, by April 11 the Miami Beach season is very much on the wane and the chief appeal will have to be made to permanent residents of the state of Florida, with stress on East Coast availables.

Liston held out for Baltimore and May, possibly June. But Patterson, who by return match contract had the right to designate the time and the place for his second effort against Sonnyboy, insisted on Miami Beach and April.

Efforts to dig out of Patterson the factors in his strange insistence have failed.

Some students of the human mind have come up with the belief that Patterson picked Miami Beach through superstition, because it was there, on March 13, 1961, he stopped Ingemar Johansson in the sixth round in their third meeting.



(left) Patterson is overcome with joy as he meets the press following his knockout of Ingemar Johansson to become the first man to regain the heavyweight title. (Above) The end of the fight in the fifth round as Johansson is counted out. Floyd took a terrific beating in their first encounter but came back to triumph.

Granted that Patterson is superstitious, we still lack justification of the April date. Time was when promoters were considered the best judges of locale and date, and such designations were handled by them. But doing business with Patterson means acceptance of his own dictums.

NEW YORK WILLING TO SEE IT GO SOUTH

If there be any logical support for this second meeting of Liston and Patterson, June and New York would make the perfect combination.

But New York still is off-bounds for Sonny. He has not tried to reverse the decision of the New York Commission not to license him as a boxer within its territory.

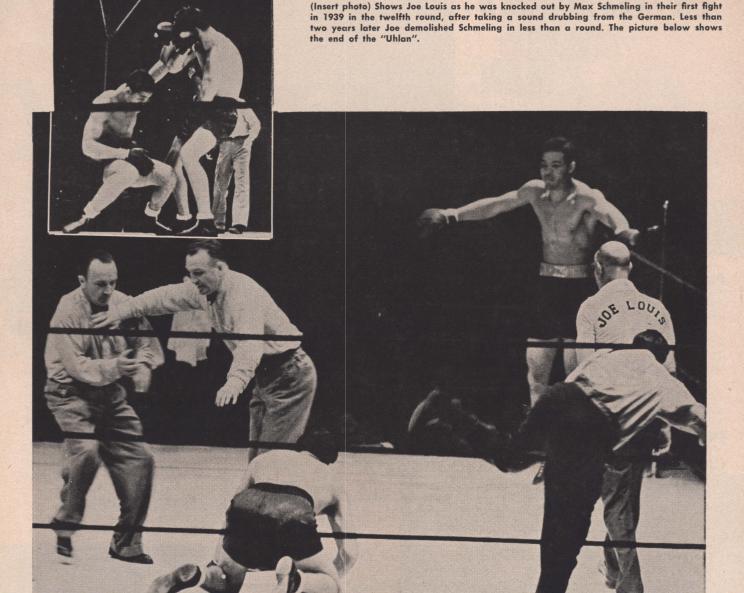
New York boxing enthusiasts are not inclined to cry over assignment of the Sonny-Floyd fight to Miami Beach because their rank and file is not reported to envision a form somersault.

New York is quite willing to let Florida have this fight. But when this is out of the way—if Liston survives as champion—there will be a change of policy in New York, which has been warned to get busy and justify its Boxing Law with fights that outrank the old St. Nick Rink standards. A start was made with Cassius Clay and Doug Jones.

There are reasons to believe that the Garden will arouse itself to the responsibilities which it must assume in the revised New York fight picture, and that Liston's second defense will land in that city in spite of the television market position it occupies to its fight status derogation.

For the April 4 fight in Miami Beach, Feature Sports, Inc., the Bolan brothers et al, face the necessity of rebuilding confidence in Patterson, and persuading the ticket buyers that the first round KO in Chicago was just a fluke.

The Bolans must make the fans believe that what Patterson did in 1960 at the Polo Grounds, when he became the first



former heavyweight champion to regain the title, can happen on April 11.

In 1959, when Patterson met Johansson for the first time, in Yankee Stadium, the Swede clobbered Floyd right lustily and knocked him out in the third round.

Note, please, that the gross gate was \$470,717, with \$1,032,000 picked up from closed circuit theatre TV.

The experts announced that of his failure to last nine minutes with the Swede, Patterson had to be rated very much the underdog in a second fight.

It was suggested that the promoters take this return fight as far as they could from Broadway. There was talk of Los Angeles, but eventually the scrap was arranged for the Polo Grounds. The man who had been knocked out so quickly in the first fight came back strong and stopped Johansson in the fifth round. Ingemar hardly resembled the Viking, the Titan, the Intrepid warrior of the first meeting.

When they met for the third time, at Miami Beach, Patterson

stopped the Swede in the sixth heat.

How much chance is there of Patterson's duplicating his feat of 1960 against the Swede at the Polo Grounds?

It is conceivable that when April 11 rolls around Patterson will enter the ring without having been picked by a single established expert.

Liston, who is absolutely unfamiliar with the elements of ballyhoo, refuses to go along with the Bolan rehabilitation campaign for Patterson.

"I will stop him even sooner than I did at Chicago," says Liston. "I would not be afraid to contract to beat both Patterson and Cassius Clay in the same ring at the same time.

"There is nothing Patterson can do to keep him in the ring for even as long as 2 minutes 6 seconds. Studying the movies of the Chicago fight would do him no good. For his sake, I advise strongly against it. He should not take any chances of reducing his morale farther."

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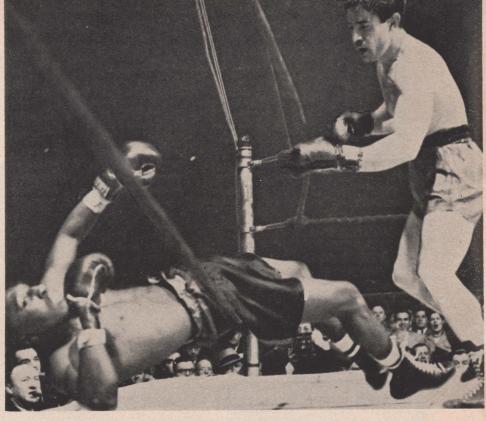
THE FRANTIC PUNCH

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DESPERATION

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The punch that launched one of boxing's most sensational careers. Billy Arnold is knocked through the ropes by Rocky Graziano in the third round. Billy, highly touted, had given Rocky a bad beating in the first two rounds, but Rocky rallied and from this triumph went on to the middleweight

GRAZIANO WAS LEADING USER OF BIG PUNCH—JERSEY JOE WALCOTT AND MAR-CIANO ALSO WERE BENEFICIARIES OF DESPERATE BLOW ON WAY TO TITLES

By LESTER BROMBERG

(Editor's Note—This is the second half of a two part story about "The Frantic Punch.")

NE of the most urgent users of the Desperate Punch to be located in the all-time listing was Rocky Graziano. Nobody was more partial to the Big Gun as a remedy for darkest danger.

The saga of The Rock, "th' black sheep that becom' th' champ," wouldn't have been possible without it.

Prior to March 9, 1945, when he was matched with Billy Arnold, heavy-fisted young Philadelphian, at the Garden, Graziano's label was: good punch but too little and too late.

In two Garden main events with Harold Green, competent Brooklyn rival, he had awakened in the last round to register knockdowns but he already had lost the fights.

With Arnold for two rounds, The Rock had been bloodied, battered and bruised. To anything familiar with Billy's methodical wear-'m-down technique, this could be interpreted only as a preface to somebody's extinction.

The third round hardly had begun, however, when the badgered Graziano exploded with a swinging right hand from the hip, the same sort Arnold had slipped inside of repeatedly. There was no evasion possible here. The blow crashed solidly on the chin. Billy's legs bent with imposed weariness.

Competitive zeal, tinctured with concern over what could happen if he didn't cash in a lucky blue chip, drove Graziano to the kill. There were three knockdowns of Arnold before Referee Frank Fullam rescued a defenseless loser via TKO that was technical in name only.

On this fight Rocky made the grade with the public, but there were yet further miles to traipse before his talent for desperation-slugging got him to the throne room.

The journey had encompassed a disappointing first try against Tony Zale in Yankee Stadium on Sept. 27, 1946, when he was knocked out by the old iron man in the



Ray Robinson who had lost his title a few months before to Randy Turpin in a tremendous upset in England, was a beaten man when he crashed a right to the jaw in their return match. Ray recovered the title via a ten-round knockout in the memorable battle in the Polo Grounds.

sixth round. He took the count on his haunches after he'd almost had the champion out several times in earlier rounds.

In the dressing room that night a writer asked him: "What will happen when you fight him again?" He'd grinned sheepishly and said: "Maybe he'll knock me out again."

Folks who blandly put superficial evidence together then concluded "Graziano is afraid of Zale." The knowing fight followers said "yes, that's probably true but there's nothing more dangerous than a man who knows what it is to be afraid."

On July 16, 1947, in Chicago Stadium, Rocky made the latter observation a living legend. He took a considerable licking in the early rounds of a gruelling battle waged under stifling weather conditions indoors.

But, when defeat stared him in the face, he did not wilt. Instead, he grew stronger. And in the sixth round his sense of fear made him recklessly aggressive. He pinned Zale against the ropes, pounding him with more fury than direction. It exhausted Zale and the referee, the late Johnny Behr, stopped the fight.

A curious parallel in frantic-punching annals exists in the heavyweight division, as concerns Jersey Joe Walcott's ascension to the championship at the expense of Ezzard Charles, and Rocky Marciano's later succession of Walcott.

For the fabulous and venerable ring mechanic from Camden, N.J., there had been demeaning frustration in challenging—in gross lots.

First, in a Garden fight with Joe Louis on Dec. 5, 1947, he had floored the champion twice and seemingly won so convincingly that Joe left the ring before the decision. A bemused Louis came back in to hear he was the winner on a split decision.

Then Walcott failed in a return with Louis on June 25, 1948, at Yankee Stadium via an eleventh round knockout setback.

Now, with Louis retired, he met Ezzard Charles at Chicago on June 22, 1949, in the final of a succession elimination. Charles outfoxed him. He tried again against Charles at Detroit on March 7, 1951. He finished strongly but no cigar. It was 4-0 against him at this point.

Old Effortful sought still another shot and he landed it in Pittsburgh on July 18, 1951. Licking him had been so monotonous a process for Charles that Ez protested: "I'm sick of training for that old man." And, on the night of the fight, Charles walked in as if this were a most annoying chore. Walcott walked in with trepidation.

He showed it too in the first six rounds of a bout that was boring the customers. But, in the seventh round, with the ghosts of past disappointment dancing eerily before his eyes, he gambled. He fired a left hook, his heaviest blasts had always been right crosses, and it pinpointed Charles' jaw. There was paralysis in it for Ez—and sunshine at the end of the long, long trail for Joe. At 37, he'd become the oldest of all time to win the heavyweight crown.

Time marched on and, by Sept. 23, 1952, Walcott was due to defend against Marciano, cumbersome but never beaten and heavy-fisted. Days before the fight in Philadelphia Jersey Joe had sized up the match astringently with the remark, "if I don't stiffen him, take my name out of the record book."

In the ring he moved quickly to wrap it up. He had Marciano down in the first round. Innate strength brought Rocky up and had him warring manfully in the same round. But the yardstick of class, alluded to in Walcott's remark, appeared to assert itself as the rounds progressed.

Walcott was rolling with some of Marciano's sledgehammer

Beaten back in four previous attempts to win the heavyweight title, Jersey Joe Walcott unleashed one vicious left hook to become heavyweight champion as Ezzard Charles slumps into slumberland in the seventh round at Pittsburgh.





smashes, ducking others. By a strange happenstance, liquid from cut-medicine applied to Rocky's head had dripped into his eyes and was making it difficult for him to see. When this condition seemed to clear up, Jersey Joe created new difficulties for Marciano with a bashing body attack.

As they entered the thirteenth round, the defender realized he was sufficiently far in front to win if he completed the 15. On the other side there was unabashed nervousness, especially with the corner men.

To pull it out, Rocky needed a miracle. And how do you make miracles? Marciano didn't know. What he did know was that, to quit trying, was tantamount to surrending.

So on he came in the (Continued on page 45)

FATE-FATE-FATE---

KEEPS RIGHT ON BUFFETING

By TED CARROLL

THY some human beings are destined for lives of uneventful evenness and others slated to become the playthings of capricious fate will remain one of the mysteries of the universe. For most of us, our stays on earth are similar as life metes out a routine share of the trials and tribulations which ordinarily beset the human species, but there are also those who are continually struggling to free themselves from the entanglements of a web woven by the finger of fate.

Such a one is the welterweight champion of the world, Emile Griffith, a young man of unusually mild manner and delicate decorum; on the surface a most unlikely victim for fate's phenaglings. That Griffith became a fighter in the first place was more a matter of happenstance than desire. A gentle, inoffensive factory worker, attracted the shop owner, a fight buff intrigued by the youngster's wide shouldered, trim waisted physique. Using a boss's persuasion, he prevailed upon the 18-year old Virgin Islander to try his luck in the Golden Gloves.

Whatever his early feelings about boxing, Griffith showed such ability as an amateur, that professional boxing, with its promise of relieving the financial condition of the large and hard pressed Griffith family, followed naturally.

Fate was a willing worker in Emile's corner as he became, in a surprisingly short time, a worlds champion in a sport towards which he had no natural leanings as a boy.

Good fortune is a companion whose company may end at any second. Having escorted young Emile onto a champion-ship throne at the age of twenty, the fickle fates now dealt him a staggering blow. This was the Paret tragedy of 1962, one

of the most unfortunate in boxing history, in which Griffith proved merely the catalyst for a set of circumstances which, meshing at the wrong time, had regrettable results

Griffith had been considered anything but a "berserk" type boxer. In fact, the reverse had been true. In an unimpressive exhibition against war worn Isaac Logart, preceding the Paret affair, critics had found much fault with his lack of fire. Others defended the much criticized decision which cost him his title against Paret and labelled his performance lackadaisical and uninspired for a champion.

ONCE AGAIN CRITICS BLAST EMILE AS LIFELESS

Since regaining the championship similar charges against Emile of taking things too easy have cropped up in matches against Don Fullmer in New York and Teddy Wright in Vienna. Therefore in battering Paret so savagely in a fatal bout, Griffith was—off his record—completely out of character. His ferocity had been fomented by pre-fight insinuations by Paret which enraged him and transformed him into the merciless warrior which ordinarily he is not.

As in the case of Ernie Schaaf and Primo Carnera back in 1933, a prior match — something over which Griffith had no control—against bruising, bigger Gene Fullmer by Paret may have led to Benny's sad ending. Nor did Emile have any responsibility in the oft-voiced criticisms of the officiating. Paret's corner work also has been advanced as a factor in the tragic finish of the match.

A perverse fate combined all the elements of Griffith's own uncommon bitterness, the cumulative effects of earlier Paret fights, and possible official and corner negligence to make poor Emile the instrument of ring tragedy.

Although his fighting has been far removed from the fury he flashed against Paret, Griffith has been sufficiently successful since to show no serious affects of the Paret ordeal.

Ezzard Charles, Jess Willard, and Max Baer, participants in similar incidents, all suffered psychologically in later ring efforts. Fate also shows signs of being unrelenting towards Emile. In defense of his title against Argentinian Jorge Fernandez on December 8, his title as well as his morale hung in the balance as Fernandez, claiming "Foul," squirmed in apparent agony in the ninth and final round.

While the distraught Emile, no doubt wondering, "What next is going to happen to me?" and millions of televiewers watched wonderingly, the officials debated. Then, while conceding that Fernandez had been hit low, they doubted that the protective device worn by all fighters could have permitted such damage. They decided in Emile's favor and he retained his championship.

FERNANDEZ CAME CLOSE TO PUTTING IT OVER

This was the first time since the famous Schmeling-Sharkey fiasco in 1930, when the German bawled his way to the title by squatting on the mat, thereby leading to the installation of the "No foul" rule by the New York Boxing Commission, that a contender had come so close to winning a world championship on a foul.

Gorilla Jones dropped his version of the middleweight title to Marcel Thil in Paris in 1932 but Jones held only the N.B.A. section of the title at the time. Only the



Emile seems to have adjusted to being one of those upon whom fickle fate alternately frowns and smiles, and stands ready to accept whatever may be in store. This is, after all, the only decision within his

power, unless it be retirement.

Much more unfortunate than Griffith at the hands of fate have been other famous fighters of the past cut down in their primes by the unseen hand. Ill fortune was at its most ironic in the case of the late Marcel Cerdan. He was lost in an airplane crash because of an action not of his doing, which necessitated the trip that cost him his life. A postponement request

by Mme. Auriol, wife of the then president of France, who after affectionately greeting the American champion, reminded him that he must now consider

That much of this feeling for Sugar Ray still lingers on in France is revealed by dispatches from Nancy, describing a reception given him there of the type usually

MANY MIDDLEWEIGHT STARS STRICKEN AT THEIR PEAKS

Ring history shows that those who become champions in the middleweight division have fate as a challenger in the other corner. Besides the luckless Cerdan, the great Harry Greb, colorful Tiger Flowers, and the legendary Stanley Ketchell heard the final toll while still active in the ring.

The harsh hand of fate called a halt to the career of (Continued on page 44)

WORLD

By NAT FLEISCHER

HEAVYWEIGHTS (Over 175 pounds) WORLD CHAMPION SONNY LISTON, Chicago, III.

1-FLOYD PATTERSON, Scarsdale, N. Y.

2-CASSIUS CLAY, Louisville, Ky. 3-DOUG JONES, New York, N. Y. 4-INGEMAR JOHANSSON, Sweden

5-ZORA FOLLEY, Chandler, Ariz. 6-CLEVELAND WILLIAMS, Houston, Tex.

7-ROBERT CLEROUX, Canada

8-BILLY DANIELS, New York, N. Y. 9-ARCHIE MOORE, San Diego, Calif.

10-HENRY COOPER, England

MIDDLEWEIGHTS (Not over 160 pounds) WORLD CHAMPION PAUL PENDER, Brookline, Mass. DICK TIGER, Lagos, Nigeria

1-GENE FULLMER, West Jordan, Utah

2-TERRY DOWNES, England

3-GEORGE BENTON, Philadelphia, Pa.

4-JOEY GIARDELLO, Cherry Hill, N. J.

5—**LUIS FOLLEDO**, Spain 6—**LASZLO PAPP**, Hungary

7-DENNY MOYER, Portland, Ore.

8-JOEY ARCHER, New York, N. Y.

9-TED WRIGHT, Detroit, Mich.

10-JOE GIAMBRA, Buffalo, N. Y.



FLASH **ELORDE** FIGHTER OF THE MONTH

Flash Elorde, the most popular boxer in the Philippines, by his triumph over Johnny Bizzarro of Erie, Pennsylvania, a victory that enabled him to retain the junior lightweight championship, gained The Ring's Fighter of the Month Award. It was his fifth straight successful title defense. Previously he had defeated Harold Gomes, Joe Lopes, Sergio Caprari and Auburn Copeland.

There was little action among the heavyweights to bring about any changes in the international ratings. Cassius Clay's kayo of Charley Powell and Robert Clerous's knockout of Gene Jackson, didn't alter the situation among the top ten.

A newcomer entered the ranks of the light heavyweights

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS (Not over 175 pounds) WORLD CHAMPION HAROLD JOHNSON, Philadelphia, Pa.

1-MAURO MINA, Peru

2-GIULIO RINALDI, Italy 3-EDDIE COTTON, Seattle, Wash.

4-BOBO OLSON, Honolulu, Hawaii

5-GUSTAV SCHOLZ, Germany

6-ERICH SCHOPPNER, Germany

7—HENRY HANK, Detroit, Mich. 8—WILLIE PASTRANO, Miami, Fla.

9-WAYNE THORNTON, Fresno, Calif.

10-CHIC CALDERWOOD, Scotland

WELTERWEIGHTS (Not over 147 pounds) WORLD CHAMPION EMILE GRIFFITH, New York, N. Y.

1-LUIS RODRIGUEZ, Miami, Fla.

2-BRIAN CURVIS, Wales

3-RALPH DUPAS, New Orleans, La.

4-JORGE FERNANDEZ, Argentina

5-RIP RANDALL, Dallas, Texas

6-CURTIS COKES, Dallas Texas

7-FEDERICO THOMPSON, Argentina

8-GASPAR ORTEGA, Mexico

9-ISSAC LOGART, New York, N. Y.

10-DICK TURNER, Philadelphia, Pa.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS (Not over 140 pounds) WORLD CHAMPION TITLE VACANT

1-EDDIE PERKINS, Gary, Ind.

2-KENNY LANE, Muskegon, Mich.

3-LOUIS MOLINA, San Jose, Calif.

4-BATTLING TORRES, Mexico

5-JOSE STABLE, New York, N. Y. 6-ANGEL GARCIA, France

7-MANUEL ALVAREZ, Argentina

8-AISSA HASHAS, France

9-JOSE NAPOLES, Cuba

10-BEN MEDINA, Fresno, Calif.

when Wayne Thornton of Fresno upset the dope by outclassing Willie Pastrano of Miami. Pastrano was dropped from sixth to eighth place and Thornton, rated for the first time, landed in the ninth position, Henry Hank, Detroit, winner over Sixto Rodriguez, advanced from eighth to seventh.

Erich Schoppner of Germany, winner over Von Clay, gained one post, up from seventh to sixth as did Bobo Olson of Honolulu, winner over Al Williams, up from fifth to fourth. He

traded places with Gustav Scholz of Germany.

Allen Thomas of Chicago was eliminated to make way for Thornton and Chic Calderwood of Scotland, dropped from ninth to last position.

RATINGS

WORLD RATINGS FOR THE MONTH ENDING FEBRUARY 18, 1963

LIGHTWEIGHTS (Not over 135 pounds) WORLD CHAMPION CARLOS ORTIZ, New York, N. Y.

1-BUNNY GRANT, Jamaica

2-CARLOS HERNANDEZ, Venezuela

3-JOE BROWN, Houston, Texas 4-DOUG VAILLANT, Cuba 5-ALFREDO URBINA, Mexico

6-PAUL ARMSTEAD, Los Angeles, Calif. 7-DAVE CHARNLEY, England 8-ARTHUR PERSLEY, Red Crosse, La.

9-TERUO KOSAKA, Japan

10-SEBASTIAO NASCIMENTO, Brazil

FEATHERWEIGHTS (Not over 126 pounds) WORLD CHAMPION DAVEY MOORE, Springfield, O.

1-SUGAR RAMOS, Cuba 2-KAZUO TAKAYAMA, Japan 3-HOWARD WINSTONE, Wales

4—RAFIU KING, Nigeria 5—JET BALLY, Philippines 6—MITSUNORI SEKI, Japan

7-DANNY VALDEZ, Los Angeles, Calif.

8-DON JOHNSON, Los Angeles, Calif.

9-ALBERTO SERTI, Italy

10-BILLY CALVERT, England

FLYWEIGHTS (Not over 112 pounds) WORLD CHAMPION

PONE KINGPETCH, Bangkok, Thailand

1-FIGHTING HARADA, Japan

2-SALVATORE BURRUNI, Italy

3-BERNARDO CARABALLO, Colombia

4-RAMON ARIAS, Venezuela

5-HIROYUKI EBIHARA, Japan

6-PASCUAL PEREZ, Argentina

7-HORACIO ACCAVALLO, Argentina

8-MIMUN BEN ALI, Spain

9-SEISAKU SAITO, Japan

10-KYO NOGUCHI, Japan

In the middleweight division Bruno Visintin of Italy has been removed to enable Ted Wright of Detroit, previously listed as a welter, to be placed in that classification. He is now rated ninth. Joey Giambra of Buffalo, dropped from ninth to tenth and European champion Laszlo Papp of Hungary, who successfully defended his title by stopping George Aldridge of England in a one-sided bout, changed posts with Denny Moyer of Portland, Oregon, Papp up to sixth and Moyer down to seventh position.

Bob Fosmire of Roxbury, Massachusetts, also has been eliminated from the welterweight class after being stopped by Paul Christie of Boston. The veteran (Continued on page 45)

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS (Not over 130 pounds) WORLD CHAMPION

GABRIEL (Flash) ELORDE, Manila, Philippines

1-RAY NOBILE, Italy

2-AUBURN COPELAND, Flint, Mich.

3-LOVE ALLOTEY, Ghana

4-JOHNNY BIZZARRO, Erie, Pa.

5-JOSE LUIS CRUZ, Mexico 6-YUKIO KATSUMATO, Japan

7—VINCE DERARDO, Argentina 8—HAROLD GOMES, Providence, R. I.

9-OSCAR REYES, Philippines

10-MEL MIDDLETON, Philadelphia, Pa.

BANTAMWEIGHTS (Not over 118 pounds) WORLD CHAMPION EDER JOFRE, Sao Paulo, Brazil

1—ISMAEL LAGUNA, Panama

2—JOE MEDEL, Mexico 3—ALPHONSE HALIMI, France

4-PIERO ROLLO, Italy 5-KATSUTOSHI AOKI, Japan

6-PIERRE COSSEMYNS, Belgium

7-JOHNNY CALDWELL, Ireland

8-FREDDIE GILROY, Ireland

9-JORGE SALAZAR, Mexico 10-RONNIE JONES, Chicago, III.

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

	Pro.					
HEAVYWEIGHTS Willie Jackson, Elizabeth, N. J.	Debut 10/60	Total 10	Won 7	Lost 3	Draws 0	Kayos 3
LIGHT HEAVYWEI Jimmy McDermott, Portland, Me.	GHTS 11/62	4	4	0	0	1
MIDDLEWEIGHTS Mel Winters, Miami, Fla.	6/62	7	7	0	0	5
WELTERWEIGHTS Earl Johnson, Cleveland, O.	2/62	8	6	2	0	2
LIGHTWEIGHTS Rex Agin, Steubenville, O.	10/62	3	3	0	0	2
FEATHERWEIGHTS Jimmy Fabrazio, Philadelphia, Pa.	4/62	9	4	3	2	1
BANTAMWEIGHTS Felix Said Brami, Tunis	9/61	14	14	0	0	9
FLYWEIGHTS Rudy Somodio, Philippines	9/62	5	4	0	1	2

They tried and tried

By LEW ESKIN

OME fighters climb into a ring with a champion, swing lustily the way Sonny Liston did against Floyd Patterson, and, BOOM! in less than three minutes the world has a new title holder.

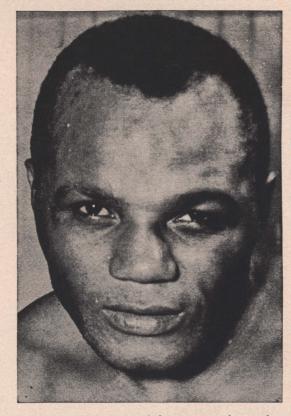
Other competent fighters try and try again, and after three title failures appear to be doomed to disappointment. But then comes the reward for persistence.

Aside from these whom we will tell about, there were many who in the no-decision era could have won the title by knockouts as did Al McCoy and Benny Leonard.

Checking all of these is impossible as in most cases there were no commissions and no weigh-ins.

Those that we know about for sure are included in this yarn. Two of these fights oddly enough involved the same men, Frankie Burns, bantamweight from Jersey City, N.J. and Johnny Kilbane, featherweight champion from Cleveland.

Burns had five chances to gain a title but fate was against him and all ended in failure, although not because Frankie did not have the ability. His first attempt was against Johnny Coulon for the bantamweight title in New Orleans on February 18, 1912. He lost a questionable decision



Jersey Joe Walcott proved that it pays to keep trying. He won the heavyweight championship in his fifth crack at the crown. Joe failed in a bid to regain the title after losing it to Rocky Marciano.



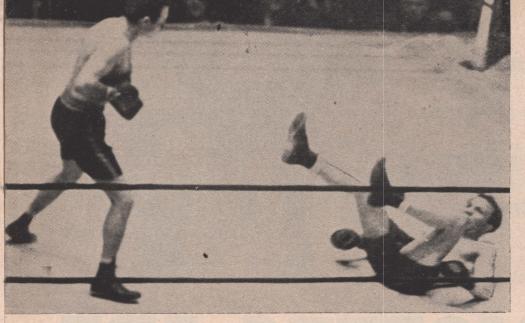
Ray Robinson (right) and Carmen Basilio, who fought two great fights for the middleweight title. Both were double-crown wearers, but each also failed four times in other attempts.

after twenty rounds.

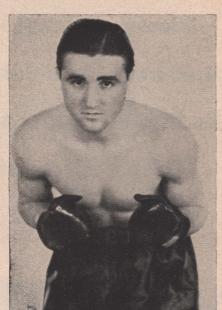
Three months later Burns faced Kilbane at St. Nick's in New York. They went ten rounds and no-decision was given. Both scaled well under the featherweight limit, but Johnny, making his first start after winning the title from Abe Attell, was too good for Burns, who was outweighed by six pounds.

Frankie waited almost four years before getting another chance and again it was in New Orleans, where he battled to a twenty round draw with Kid Williams. The fact that Williams was the champion and the fight was called a draw speaks for itself...

Two years later Burns was matched with Williams' successor, Pete Herman, and once again he was turned back, losing a close verdict after twenty rounds in Herman's home town of



(Above) Tony Canzoneri stands over Lou Ambers after flooring him in the second round of their bout in which Tony won the lightweight championship in 1935. Canzoneri was a busy competitor in title fights. (Right) Lou Salica, who challenged for the bantamweight crown five times. He lost twice, won twice, and fought a draw.



New Orleans.

Another two years passed before Frankie got his last chance and it was against Kilbane in Jersey City. By now Frankie was past his peak and he was knocked out in the fourth round.

Two others had as many chances that ended in failures, but they were able to become champions. They were Jersey Joe Walcott and Tony Canzoneri.

Joe, who was saved from the junk heap as a fighter during World War Two, was the victim of a poor decision in his first try at a crown, against Joe Louis in Madison Square Garden on December 5, 1947.

Walcott floored the "Brown Bomber" twice and all, including Louis, who attempted to leave the ring before the verdict was announced, thought he had been crowned champion. The two judges outvoted referee Ruby Goldstein and gave the decision to Louis.

There was a rematch. Again Walcott floored Louis, but this time the champion was able to catch up to his tormentor. He knocked out Walcott in the eleventh round Yankee Stadium on June 25, 1948.

When Louis retired the following year, Walcott was matched against Ezzard Charles in Chicago for the vacant title. Charles outpointed Joe and it looked as if it was three strikes and out for Walcott, who was well up in his thirties.

However two years later, after Charles who liked to keep active, had cleaned up the field and there was no one left, he gave Walcott another chance in Detroit on March 7, 1951.

This was a surprise match as in his previous bout Jersey Joe had been defeated by Rex Layne. Walcott made a fine showing in losing the decision. When Ezzard was signed for the annual "Dapper Dan" show in Pittsburgh, Walcott again was matched with him. What happened is history. Jersey Joe knocked out Charles in the seventh round with one left hook and on July 18, 1951 his long quest was over.

After losing the title to Rocky Marciano, the following year Jersey Joe was stopped by Marciano in one round in Chicago, making him a five time loser.

Canzoneri the scrappy little New Orleans lad who started as a bantamweight and fought his way up to the lightweight crown, always was fighting for some title or another.

Tony had two ties at the 118 pound title, both against But Taylor in Chicago in 1927. The first ended in a draw and Taylor won the second. The following year Tony won and lost the featherweight crown in bouts with Benny Bass and Andre

Routis.

Then, on August 2, 1929 Tony was outpointed by Sammy Mandell in a bid for the lightweight title in Chicago. However on November 1, 1930 he knocked out Al Singer in the first round in Madison Square Garden to win that crown.

In 1931 he gained the Junior Welterweight title by halting Jackie Kid Berg. On January 18, 1932 he lost that title to Johnny Jadick, and failed to regain it from Johnny on July 18, 1932. Both fights took place in Philadelphia.

Barney Ross relieved Tony of the lightweight title by outpointing him over ten rounds in Chicago on June 22, 1933 and three months later Ross repeated in New York.

After Ross' retirement as lightweight champion Tony regained his title, beating Lou Ambers in 1935. He later lost the title to "Herkimer Lou" and failed to recapture it from him on May 7, 1937 in New York. So if we include the Junior title, Tony should top the list as he had not five but six failures. More than balancing out was (Continued on page 47)



Australian Bill Squires (left) posing with Tommy Burns before their 1907 fight in Colmia, Calif. Bill tried three times to lift the heavyweight crown from the Canadian and although he improved on his first showing he never was successful.

Many champions of past had troubles galore in finding places where they could defend

E WAS ready and willing, but Sonny Liston was not the first world heavyweight champion to find it difficult to locate a place to fight.

Sonny was committed to a return bout with Floyd Patterson. There was nothing he could do about it. The ex-champion had the choice of time and place, and decided on Miami Beach in the off season. He also designated the brothers Bolan—Tom and Al—the promoters of the Chicago affair, to make the necessary arrangements.

Liston had been over the course. After the Bolans had put the cart before the horse last spring by announcing Patterson would defend the title in New York, Liston, was told to apply for a boxer's license. The New York State Commission turned him down.

The Commission suspected Sonny's associates were not as

PROMOTERS ARE

Heavyweight champ Sonny Liston, shown with his advisor Jack Nilon, was not too happy about Championship Sports promoting the return Patterson fight but now that they have come up with the monies that Liston claimed was due him all is happy.

By AL BUCK

pure as new fallen snow, but he was the No. 1 contender, and after some confusion Chicago was selected as the battle site. It took Liston only two minutes and six seconds to knock out Patterson and win the title, yet even as his hand was being raised in victory, the Bureau of Internal Revenue attached all the money.

Uncle Sam has released some of the cash, and the Bolans have been able to make payment in part to Liston. Under the circumstances the return bout contract may not have been binding, but the champion is honoring it nevertheless.

Patterson, Liston and the Bolans were not the first to find a haven in Chicago. In 1937 the Windy City welcomed Mike Jacobs when he arrived with contracts for James J. Braddock to defend the heavyweight title against Joe Louis.

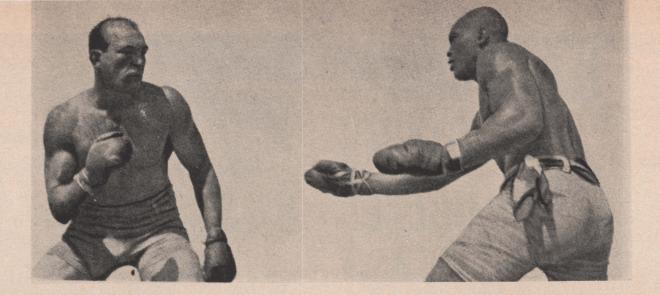
The circumstances were different, as there was more than one challenger then, and the New York Commission had contracts filed by Madison Square Garden for a Braddock-Max Schmeling fight. Schmeling had knocked out Louis in an elimination, and Braddock had agreed to fight the German the previous fall.

While training at Loch Sheldrake, N. Y., Braddock announced he had injured his pinkie, and the bout was postponed until June 3, 1937.

The Garden also had a contract for Braddock's first defense of the title. Jacobs had Louis, and the situation was tailormade for what was the great promoter's No. 1 gamble.

Hitler had come to power in Germany. The World tottered on the brink of World War II. The Anti-Nazi League was on record as opposed to Schmeling, and Jacobs, taking advantage of the situation signed Braddock. As part of the deal Jersey Jim and his manager, Joe Gould, were cut in for 10 per cent of all future heavyweight title bouts Mike Jacobs would promote.

The Garden went to court. It also went ahead with the promotion of a Braddock-Schmeling bout at the Garden Bowl. James J. Johnston, the Garden promoter, had tickets printed for June 3rd, and they were available at the Garden box office. None were purchased. The newspapers referred to it as the "Phantom Fight."



HARD TO COME BY

On the morning of June 3rd, Schmeling appeared at the New York Commission offices and weighed in. To nobody's surprise Braddock did not appear. He was suspended, of course. But for some reason that never was explained, Schmeling failed to claim the title at the scales.

An injunction was pending in Federal Court, which if granted would have restrained Braddock from fighting Louis. When the court ruled a man could not be restrained from making a living, the decks were cleared for Jersey Jim to defend the title at Comiskey Park on June 22, 1937.

Knocked down in the first round Louis came on to win the title in the eighth. He went on to become one of the all-time great champions, and in 1938 he knocked out Schmeling in a round.

Braddock was reinstated in New York on payment of a \$5,000 fine, and closed his career by outpointing Tommy Farr in an exciting battle at the Garden, which by then had been taken over by Mike Jacobs.

Patterson, when champion, had trouble, mostly of his own making, in finding places to fight. Unlike Louis he had no promoter to guide him, at least none with the know-how that comes with experience.

The Liston fight was fouled up by the quick triggered announcement it would be held in New York, and the year previous Floyd became involved in a bout with Tom of the Boston McNeeleys.

McNeeley was an attraction in Boston, if no-where else. The Bolans were the promoters, but at the last minute the Massachusetts Commission balked at the demands of Cus D'Amato, Patterson's manager, that he be allowed to name the referee.

The fight was transferred to Toronto, where in half filled Maple Leaf Gardens Floyd knocked out McNeeley in the fourth round.

It is significant that the only two theatres showing the fight on closed circuit TV were located in Boston. Had the fight been held in Boston Garden it is reasonably assumed it would have been sold out. The Toronto authorities consented to an outside referee, naming Jersey Joe Walcott, the ex-champion, The fight between Jim Jeffries (left) and Jack Johnson which was promoted by Tex Rickard should have ushered in a "golden era" for Johnson but as a champion few American promoters wanted to use him and he had to go to Europe to defend his title.



The Million Dollar Gate was assured when Jack Dempsey signed to defend his title against Harry Wills but political pressure forced Rickard to cancel the match and Jack went on to lose his title to Gene Tunney. Wills never received the championship match that he was entitled to get.

who handled the fight well.

Another Patterson venture that backfired was his title defense against Brian London. D'Amato introduced Cecil Rhodes, an unknown in the boxing industry, as the promoter, and at a midnight press conference designated Las Vegas as the site.

D'Amato later shifted the fight to Indianapolis, explaining that he had discovered (Continued on page 44)

U.S. THREATS TO BOXING BAFFLE FAR EAST





The Ring Editor (seated) with a group of the boxing leaders of the Philippines. Mr. Fleischer is flanked by (left) J. Montano, Jr., Chairman and President of the Philippine Federation; E. Elorde, Secretary of the Southern Boxing Association, (right) Lope Sarreal, Jr., President of the Southern Boxing Association; and F. Remotigue the Governor of Cebu. This meeting took place in Cebu City.

(Lower Left)
Pone Kingpetch and Fighting Harada mixing it
up furiously in the twelfth round in last month's
title match that gave Pone the verdict and rewon
for him the world flyweight title in Bangkok.



Yankee Olympic outlook does not look good to globe trotter Fleischer.

By NAT FLEISCHER

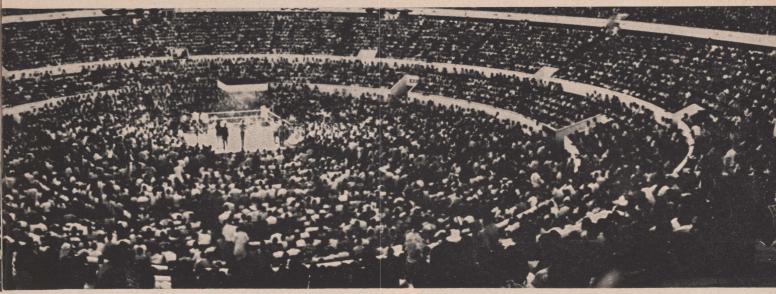
OXING in the U.S. continues to be the football of sports. This Far Eastern enthusiasts are unable to fathom.

On another world tour, just closed, I was quizzed by newsmen everywhere on the American situation.

The reasons were obvious. Scarcely a boxing program in any Asiatic country fails to draw a capacity crowd. The interest, even in Singapore where the high government entertainment tax is a big handicap, is tremendous. Boxing gets a big play no matter where held. The people cannot understand why in America legislative action threatens boxing.

On my trip, during which I judged the Kingpetch-Harada championship match, attended the Orient Boxing Federation Convention in an advisory capacity, viewed boxing in Cebu and Manila in the Philippines and in Bangkok, Thailand, and was guest speaker at a number of functions, I was more impressed than ever by the ever-growing interest of Asians in professional boxing.

As told in my Kingpetch-Harada fight report, thousands were unable to gain admission, including many who had tickets, so dense was the crowd surrounding the entrance to the military gym where the fight was held. Even such dignitaries as the US Ambassador and his party, the Vice-Premier of

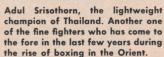


This is the Areneta Coliseum in Luzon City, Philippines. It has a seating capacity of 60,000, which makes it the largest indoor arena in the world. With the boom in boxing in the Philippines more and more of the world's top boxers have been appearing in the Islands.





Nat Fleischer (far left) acted as an advisor at the meeting of the Orient Boxing Federation. This group is one of the best governing bodies in Boxing. They have a well-knit organization that cooperates one hundred percent with the other boxing bodies.



Kewon Yongkitrat, top flight middleweight from Thailand. Keown is one of the hardest hitters among the Orient fighters.



Thailand and his guests and several European ambassadors invited to sit in the special section reserved for the Thai King, failed to get into the huge arena.

The intense interest brought people to the scene of action in droves. The streets were packed, the aisles were impassable, the iron doors were broken down, breathing space in the arena was at a premium and spectator control both outside the arena and within was at its worst due to the early arrival of hundreds of fans.

NEARLY \$20,000 REFUNDED TO DISAPPOINTED FANS

The day after the fight Thong Thos, manager of the champion, had to refund close to \$20,000 to ticket holders who had not been able to gain admission to the fight.

The fight was a benefit for victims of the recent typhoon and flood and was a big success in every way.

The chaotic conditions in the arena, overcrowding and the jamming of the aisles, was caused by young boxing fans who hid in the basement of the stadium in the early morning hours

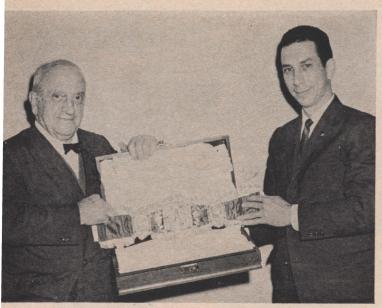
then rushed into the aisles when the gates were opened to admit the ticket holders.

From Thailand I went to Singapore at the request of Malayan sportsmen to plead with legislators for a tax reduction to aid boxing.

In Singapore, Little Nene, Malay's leading boxer of a few years ago, now a journalist and promoter, was my host. In the Philippines, the national boxing commission, of which Justiania T. Montano Jr. is head, and M. B. Besa and George Araneta, associates, made my stay enjoyable.

Newspapers devoted considerable space to boxing during my visits. Notables in sports and in civic affairs attended the functions at which I was the guest and discussed means for the betterment of boxing.

In Singapore, with the aid of Little Nene, promoter A. Razak and Lee Choon, millionaire owner of the famous Singapore Happy World Stadium, interceded with the legislature for a reduction of taxes on boxing to enable the promoters to resume programs. In 1962, there were only four promotions in which Golden Hoff of Indonesia, Manchai of Thailand and Sonny Chia of Malaya were featured.



Dale Dean, Ring Correspondent from Japan, and Mr. Fleischer display the Ring championship belt that was presented to Fighting Harada in Tokyo before the Kingpetch fight.

Even with many turned away from the stadium, which seats 10,000, the promotions were financial flops because of the 33½ per cent entertainment tax. The promoters had to quit.

LOWER TAX PROPOSED IN LEGISLATIVE MEASURE

At a farewell dinner party, I suggested passage of a measure reducing the taxes to 10 percent to permit the resumption of professional boxing, which was halted 10 months ago. I pointed out that the government would collect more taxes at that level, through more frequent promotions. When I left for Manila, I was informed that a bill would be introduced to carry out my suggestion.

While attending the annual Orient Federation of Boxing Convention in Bangkok, I pleaded Singapore's case for admission to the Federation, and the delegates, at the request of Montano, Philippine representative, unanimously approved its admission as the fifth member of the O. B. F., provided the Malay Assembly acts on a tax reduction to make professional boxing profitable.

Boxing isn't the only sport so heavily taxed in Singapore. All other sports are subject to the 33½ percent entertainment tax.

If and when boxing in Singapore receives just treatment, I feel that I will have brought about the final link in a world chain that began in Cuba and Central America in 1932.

The Besa Club in Manila with its spacious gym, is a bee-hive of activity. The workouts start at 11 o'clock in the morning and until five there is no let-up. Besa, a former boxer, who is a leading manufacturer in the Orient of custom-made shoes, has his old manager supervising the gym. His son, Armando, acts as his promoter while dad keeps close tab on the young-sters, looking for good prospects.

Many retired boxers are on Besa's payroll in his shoeshine emporium, where he has 62 chairs, the largest business of its kind in the world. That portion of his business adjoins his sales department, where thirty-seven former Filipino boxers are employed.



The collapse of the stands at the Kingpetch-Harada fight in Bangkok. There were some minor injuries but it was fortunate that no one was seriously hurt in the melee that followed the accident. This was just one of the many uproars at the championship contest.

Although Besa is the busiest promoter, the major fights are staged in beautiful Araneta's Coliseum, which seats 36,000.

SORREAL BIG TIME PROMOTER OF ISLANDS

The Coliseum also caters to ice pageants, rodeos and track meets. Lope Sorreal who manages his son-in-law, Flash Elorde, world junior welter king, is the big time manager of the Islands. He doubles in promotions.

His son, recently elected head of the Philippine Managers' Association, handles the Cebu Coliseum. A promotion was staged there for my benefit, in which hard-punching Johnny Jamito put the hooks on Yoshio Himuro of Japan in 27 seconds of the ninth round.

Jamito, rated tenth in the Orient, is a colorful bantam. He's a sharp hitter and fast, a former champion of the Far East.

Another lively lad on the card was Carlos Boy Agarao, 126. He is touted highly by Montano, president of the Orient Federation and head of Philippine Games and Amusement Board.

The Filipinos are as much interested in the amateurs as in pros. While in Thailand the pros are first developed in the Thai style boxing before turning into the money chasing field, in the Philippines amateur boxing clubs furnish the future pros.

While America is depending mostly on its service men for the development of those who will tryout for the next Olympic games, Far Eastern activity is centered in organizations scattered throughout the leading cities.

COLLEGE ATHLETES BUSY IN JAPAN'S GYMS

In Japan, college athletes are working out daily as part of the physical education programs. The same holds true in Thailand. In the Philippines the Amateur Athletic Association of which Eugeno (Gene) Puyat is president, has gained an early start by the introduction of zone class tourneys throughout the Islands. Puyat, father of the Diamond Gloves tourney, owner of Rancho Soto and head of the (Continued on page 42)

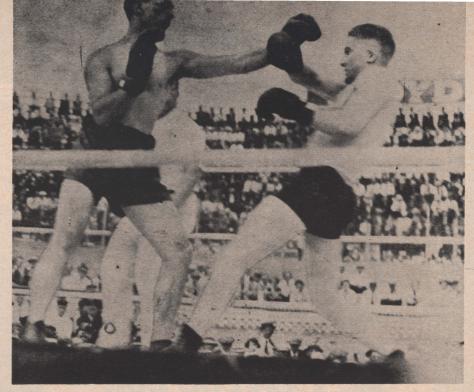
PORTFOLIO. Benny Leonard





Here we have the picture story of Benny Leonard, born Benjamin Leiner in New York on April 7, 1896. At the peak of a boxing career which started in 1911 and ended in 1932, Leonard was hailed as the greatest lightweight the sport yet had produced. Time has developed no strong evidence to controvert this rating. There are Old Timers who will stand up for the crafty Joe Gans, who came into the ring as far back as 1891. But for evenness of performance and a combination of punching power and skill, Leonard appears to merit the palm. Into the spectacular career of this son of Jewish immigrants was packed one of the most dramatic stories the colorful saga of the squared circle offers.

Fluent in and out of the ring, debonair on the Atlantic City boardwalk as he was throwing punches in the ring, Leonard gave boxing a sprightly and inviting image. This was no "dems and doze" technician. This was a workmanlike, crafty, planning, thinking fighter who never made the same mistake twice. With Benny really came the era of combination punching. This took the place of the old school of boxing which featured the single blow, and led the ring into a new and highly developed system of fighting which even now, in 1963, has yet to receive its just dues and its full measure of acclaim.





In May 1917, Leonard knocked out Freddie Welsh in the ninth round in New York to win the title and celebrated by taking a vacation at Atlantic City. Here he strolls on the Boardwalk with (left to right) his brother Charley, his mother Mrs. Minnie Leiner, his sister Syd and the Champion himself.

Before his fight with Willie Ritchie in Newark in 1919 Benny and Willie went to the ball game at the Polo Grounds, where they discussed the American pasttime with the great Johnny Evers (center). That's Willie on the left and Benny on right.

Benny's fistic career among the professionals began in 1911 and within a few years he had established himself as one of the top lightweights with kayos over Phil Bloom and Joe Mandot, and his no decision showings with Johnny Dundee, Freddie Welsh, Johnny Kilbane, Patsy Cline and Rocky Kansas. However, when he kayoed Ever Hammer (above) in the twelfth round in Kansas City on October 18, 1916 he proved he was ready for the championship.

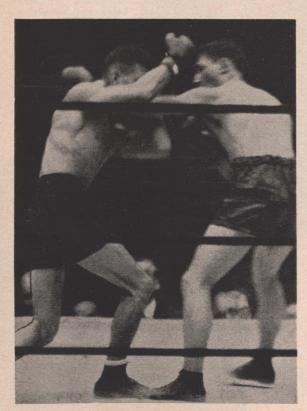




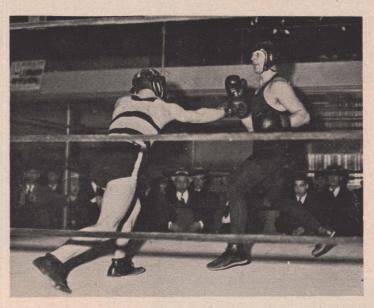
Leonard was an all-around athlete and liked to swim. He felt that the hard pull of the water helped to develop his legs and wind. He did a lot of aquatics when he started training for an important contest.



Billy Gibson (right) was the man who guided Leonard to fame and fortune. He was one of the top managers of his day and treated Leonard more like a son than a ring charge.



In 1922, after failing to lift the welterweight title from Jack Britton when he lost on a foul, Leonard was matched with Lew Tendler in Jersey City. Lew gave Benny as well as he got during the twelve rounds. A year later they met again (above) in Yankee Stadium. Leonard this time defeated Tendler with ease.

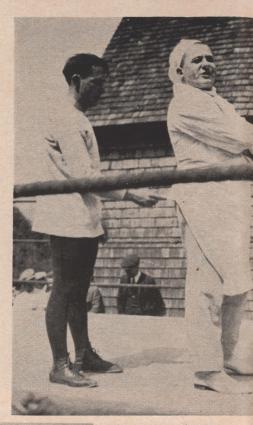


Leonard had been fighting for a dozen years and his family and many of his friends were after him to retire. He had money and with his victory over Tendler had cleaned the field of contenders. However, he kept fighting. Above, he is working out with his brother Joey before his fight against Jack Mendelsohn in Philadelphia on Sept. 7, 1923.

Leonard's early demonstrations were not all faultless. There was, for one, the 1911 two round KO by Mickey Finnegan. There was the 1912 four round knockout by Joe Shugrue. And in 1913, came the stunner by Frankie Fleming in five heats. But behind the ring efforts of Benjamin Leiner was sheer necessity. The family needed a fresh earner. He was determined to be that salvager of the Leiner exchequer yes, even all the way to the championship peak.



On this page we find Benny Leonard, on his spectacular way as the lightweight champion of the world, engaged in the social and less vigorous phases of a title holder's daily regimen. Not the least interesting of the photographs here presented shows Benny posing with Al Smith, governor and Presidential aspirant. Come to think of it, how many other boxers have been snapped with Governors of the State of New York? Al's regard for Benny was important. While Smith was governor he was asked to kill boxing. He refused to do it. How much was this refusal actuated by Al's friendship with Leonard? Boxing likes to answer this question with one word, "Plenty."



Although Benny was a city boy, he loved the country and when he was away at training camp liked to spend some time in the garden. The photo above shows Benny doing some plowing on the grounds of his training camp.



(Above) Benny who also liked to spend his time having fun, plays a joke on the camp cook Packy at the training camp in Tannersville, N.Y. (left) Benny also trained at Budd Lake, N.J. That is his sister Syd helping him paddle around the lake in the good old summertime.



This proves that it was not all play at camp, as he goes to work on the chinning bar while training for his eventful fight with Charlie White.

New York Governor Al Smith was one of Leonard's biggest fans. Like Al, Benny rose from the sidewalks of New York.





After cleaning up the field of challengers in his own class, Leonard attempted to win the welterweight title from Jack Britton. Their bout ended when Leonard (left) was disqualified for fouling Britton in the thirteenth round.

The Big Fights in Leonard's career were his battle which took away Freddy Welsh's title, the two engagements with Lew Tendler, in the first of which he barely escaped a knockout, the controversial welter loss on a foul to Jack Britton, the famous scrap with Charley White, in which Benny had a close call, and, finally, the comeback squelcher by Jimmy McLarnin.



Leonard was very popular with the fans and he loved to teach the youngsters of his neighborhood the finer points of boxing. Benny often visited youth centers and acted as referee instructor.

Hollywood tycoon Sol Lesser and Swim Star Annette Kellerman visit with Benny on the set where he was busy making a Serial "Evil Eye". Miss Kellerman put the gloves on with Leonard in a scene in the movie.



While Benny was no "horseplayer" like so many of the top fighters, he knew a champion when he saw the great Exterminator, Kentucky Derby winner in 1918.





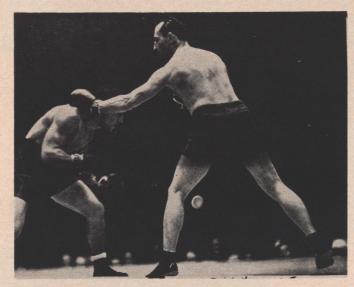
Leonard, who was very close to his family, took their pleading to heart and announced his retirement from boxing in 1924. Here he relaxes by playing golf, with Mother a bystander.



All dressed up and no place to go, that was Benny in 1925 shortly after his retirement. Like many former fighters before him, and many more who were to follow, Leonard decided to try his hand at acting.



Director Lawrence C. Windom (left) is giving Benny the inside on how to make love, movie style, to pretty Diana Allen. This was one of the many activities with which Leonard kept himself busy during his retirement.

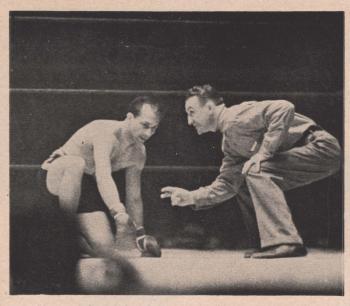


The Stock Market crash left Benny broke and he decided to make a comeback after boxing some exhibitions in 1931. The following year he scored a decision over Paulie Walker (left). It was the fifteenth straight bout without a loss on his comeback and earned him a match with Jimmy McLarnin.

This page shows Leonard on a golf course with Mom. The Ring Magazine must enter an explanation. Ma Leiner didn't know a putter from a No. 5 iron. But she loved her son dearly and he was about as lavish a provider as any fighter son yet has been. Ma never lacked for anything. Rather did she protest that Benny was too generous. But this man was a champion who believed in working as often as his services were wanted, after he had taken the title from Freddy Welsh with a ninth round knockout on the night of May 28, 1917, in Manhattan Casino in New York. There is no photograph of this KO. The sports editors sent no cameramen.

Many of Benny's old pals turned out to wish him well against McLarnin. On hand at Stillman's Gym are, left to right, Frank Erne, former lightweight champion, Jimmy DeForest, Jimmy Bronson, Martin Farrell, Charlie Beecher, Young Fulton, Patzy Zenta, and Louis Deponthier. His sparring partner was Emil 'Spider' Pladner.





Leonard gave it his all, but the years and the speed of McLarnin were too big an obstacle to overcome and referee Arthur Donovan counted him out in the sixth round on October 6, 1932. His comeback bouts earned for Benny enough to put him back on his feet financially.

Benny (left) and Ruby Goldstein (right), a later hero of New York's East Side, were on hand to help welcome another kid, Mickey Farber, who came up from the Ghetto. The Farber rally followed his victory over Al Roth in 1939.





The Leonard career wasn't all roses. On January 15, 1925, full of ring honors and well situated financially, he retired. In 1931, circumstances forced him to return, as a welter. On October 7, 1932, he was knocked out in the sixth round by Jimmy McLarnin and that was that. Later he was a Lieutenant in the Merchant Marines. Later yet, a referee. On April 18, 1947, he died in the ring.

When the war broke out Leonard entered the Merchant Marine, in which he served as an Athletic Director and Special Service Officer. This photo taken at a War Bond Rally shows left to right, Eddie Eagan, New York Boxing Commissioner, Willie Pep, Gus Lesnevich, New Jersey Boxing Commissioner Abe Greene, Leonard, and Louis (Kid) Kaplan. Peering over the top is Jess Willard.

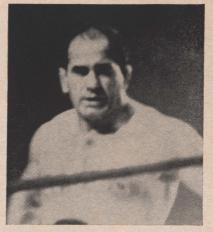
After his War service Benny became a referee and quickly established himself as one of the best in the business. Suddenly and without warning tragedy struck. Minutes after this photo was taken, Leonard suffered a heart attack and died in the ring at St. Nick's in New York City, on April 18, 1947.



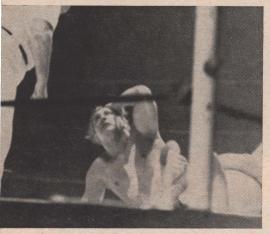


A bewildered Buddy Rogers looks around: "Can this have happened to me?"

LOU THESZ TAKES TITLE FROM ROGERS



The 44 year old Thesz surveys the mat world as its supreme king for the sixth time after dethroning Rogers.



Rogers has just been bounced off referee Tiger Tasker and holds his head to show his pain.

ORONTO, Ont. — All hail Lou Thesz! Once again he is the champion of all the professional wrestlers. And what a performance he turned in here when he wrestled, or rather grappled, the title from Buddy Rogers, the National Alliance king, in the amazingly fast time of 14 minutes 54 seconds.

Let's not lose sight of the fact that Thesz is forty four. He was a champion as far back as 25 years ago. At the age of 19 he took the title from Everett Marshall. Nineteen years later Lou lost the championship here to Dick Hutton.

That Thesz, at his age after so many years of campaigning, was able to regain the championship is remarkable enough. But it was no stumble bum from whom he took the crown. Rogers is rated one of the most adroit grapplers of the last decade. Yet, inside 15 minutes, with a top spread, Thesz flattened Rogers.

Six years ago Thesz, living in La Jolla, Cal., decided that he had had it. He announced his retirement. However, it was one thing to say "Here I stop" and yet another to stick to that resolve.

Last Winter Thesz went back into action and toured the South Pacific, taking one youngster after another. This series of successes emboldened and encouraged the veteran. He moved back into his old area of competition and found that he was no less successful there.

In time Thesz rolled into Toronto for

this one fall match with Rogers.

Twenty five years ago, Lou weighed 225 pounds. On the night of January 24 in the Maple Leaf Garden, Thesz weighed no more than he had in 1938.

Well, the January 24 victory isn't the whole story, by any means, Rogers hollered for a return bout and he got it. Thesz flattened him again.

Toronto fans like Thesz and they don't like Rogers. They say Buddy talks too much. In any event, here is Lou with the title for the sixth time, the third under the National Alliance.

Thesz achieved his January success against Rogers in spectacular fashion. Lou almost put Tiger Tasker, the referee, out of business. He flung Rogers right into Tiger's midriff and for a while it looked as if Tasker would not be able to render the decision which made Lou the champion

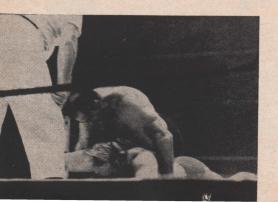
Thesz first put a side headlock on Rogers, who heaved Lou against the ropes. The Thesz rebound knocked Rogers down. The headlock and the rebound were repeated. Thesz wrapped his legs around Buddy's waist.

Rogers fell on his back, so Thesz released the leg scissors and got Rogers' hips firmly between his knees, at the same time pinning Buddy to the mat.

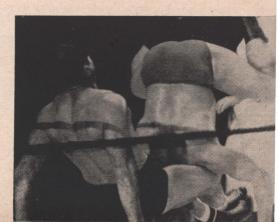
It was most interesting to see Thesz come up with a counter to every manoeuvre tried by Rogers.

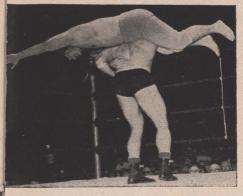


Rogers starts an arm lock which is quickly nullified by Thesz who appeared able to counter all of Rogers brilliant maneuvers and holds



Thesz weakens Rogers (left) with leg stretch as he presses the then champ to the canvas, and (right) Thesz has neck scissors on Rogers with Buddy having a tough time to escape. Lou proved his speed and mastery in this historic match.







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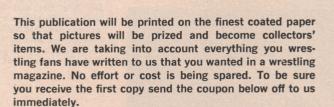
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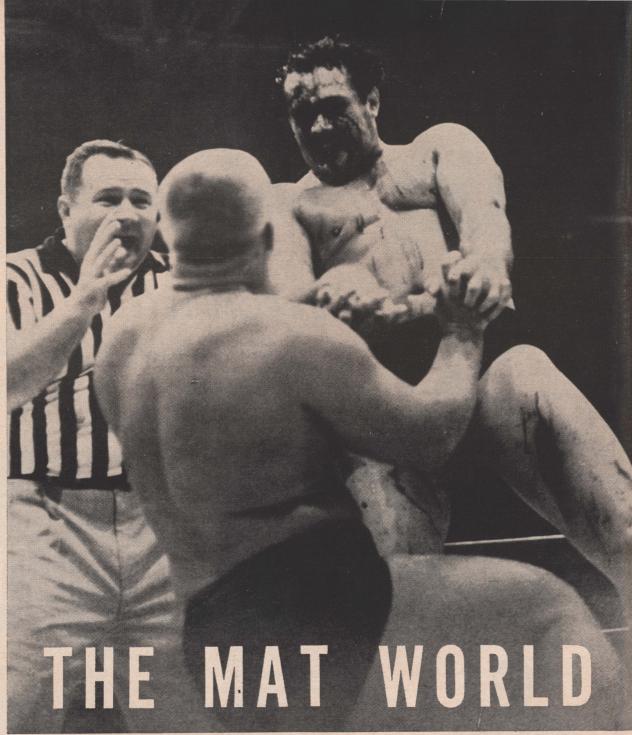
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"Pretty Boy" Collins in action in Hampton, Virginia ring, had a head scissors on Jerry Graham in bout won by Graham after he escaped from Collins punishing hold.

The referee attempts to break up Cowboy Bob Ellis and Dick The Bruiser melee as blood pours from the battle wounds sustained by Bob. The Cowboy managed to bulldog his rival after a hectic bout in which both were almost disqualified a score of times.

Pat O'Connor, former world champ, and currently rated as one of the top ten in the game, caught by candid camera as he prepares to leave arena with his beautiful wife, Pameler.



1963—WRESTLING IS BOOMING

By NAT LOUBET





(Left) The Fabulous Moolah shows a newcomer to Buddy Lee's School for prospective girl grapplers "How to do it!" The school, located in Columbia, South Carolina, is producing many of the popular new faces seen where girl wrestling is allowed. (Above) Gene Kiniski seen charging across ring to get at his opponent, Whipper Watson in Calgary, Canadian ring. Seconds later he had slugged, kicked, and butted, as well as used top holds to subdue Whipper.

THE FAN CLUB CORNER

ICK Beyer, top Pacific Coast wrestler, will leave shortly for Japan where he will have a match with Rikodozen. . . . Word from Mrs. Huey that The Rebel recently planted one smack on the kisser of promoter Joe Dusek of Omaha when he went beserk after losing on a disqualification to Verne Gagne.

The Wrestlers Wranglers Int. Fc, Melba Filson, President, 3247 Deer Field Road, Adrian, Michigan, is interested in gaining a few more members.

Wilbur Snyder has a new fc under the aegis of Betty Clark and Violet Smith. Those interested can contact Violet Smith at Box 54, Meadow-Lands, Pa.

Miss Marie Miller, president of the George and Sandy Scott Fc would like six new members. Write to her at 2602 Arthur Rd., Windsor, Ontario, Canada.

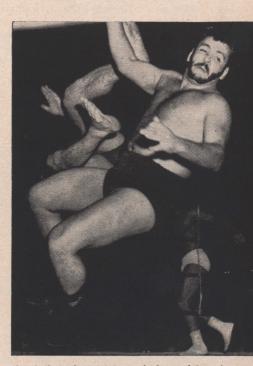
OFFICIAL WORLD RATINGS

MEN

- 1: Lou Thesz, 2: Killer Kowalski, 3: Buddy Rogers, 4: Edouard Carpentier, 5: Fred Blassie, 6: Bob "Cowboy" Ellis, 7: Pepper Gomez, 8: Pat O'Connor,
- 9: Verne Gagne, 10: Count Billy Varga.

WOMEN

1: Fabulous Moolah, 2: Penny Banner, 3: Karen Kellog, 4: June Byers, 5: Judy Grable, 6: Fran Gravette, 7: Evelyn Stevens, 8: Ann Casey, 9: Kathy Starr, 10: Lorraine Johnson.



The Sheik on the receiving end of one of Antonino Rocca's leaps is on his way to the canvas. Note Miguel Perez threading his way along ring apron in attempt to get into the fray. Rocca didn't need any help to take care of The Sheik all by himself.

TAG TEAMS

1: Bob Ellis and Johnny Valentine, 2: Bobo Brazil and Ed Carpentier: 3: Dick Steinborn and Doug Gilbert, 4: The Kangaroos (Al Costello and Roy Heffernan), 5: Buddy Rogers and Johnny Barend, 6: Kurt and Karl von Brauner, 7: Mitsu Arakawa and Kinji Shibuya, 8: Jack and Jim Dalton, 9: Ivan and Karol Kalmikoff, 10: The Scufflin Hillbillies.

JO ANN PHILLIPS By ROY TURNER

Jo Ann was born on March 16, 1942 in Tulsa, Oklahoma. She spent most of her life in Tennessee and Alabama. Her sister married into a famous wrestling clan of the Welch's, which accounts for her wrestling by trade.

Her brother-in-law is Jack Welch, next eldest to the Welch clan. He took her under his masterful and experienced wing and made her into one of the top ladies in the country. She is raven-haired, brown-eyed, and weighs in at 136. She specializes in the rolling Tennessee clutch, but can put on almost any hold to win, and usually does. She's met Moolah, Grable, LaVerne, Mae Young, and many other stars. This girl is well on the road to success. With charm like hers, she's bound to make it.

EASTERN NEWS AND ACTION BY EARLE YETTER

Promoter Pedro Martinez is sparing no expense in bringing all the great stars to Buffalo, N. Y. Now on the scene is Bull Dog Dick Brower, The Mongol and his manager and handler Nicholai Volkoff, Sweet Daddy Siki, Johnny Valentine, U. S. Champion; Bill (Red) Lyons, The Beast, Jim Hady, Stan Stasiak, Hans Schmidt, Ilio Di Paolo, Johnny Foti, Sam Steamboat, Doc Gallagher, Oscar Verdu and a continuous flow of newcomers, some of which will become the stars of tomorrow.

One of the most hair-raising bouts in recent weeks was that between Ilio Di Paolo and Hans Schmidt. These two battlers did as much fighting outside the ring as inside and they had the fans on their feet throughout the battle. Although the bout ended in a stalemate both were physically well spent at the conclusion, and both demanded and got a rematch. In the second bout, the fans saw just about everything in the book, but the superiority if any between these two grapplers has still to be established in a no time limit bout, because stalemates benefit neither man.

Among the newcomers Stan Stasiak who is known as the Arvida Assassin has displayed plenty of power in his first Buf-

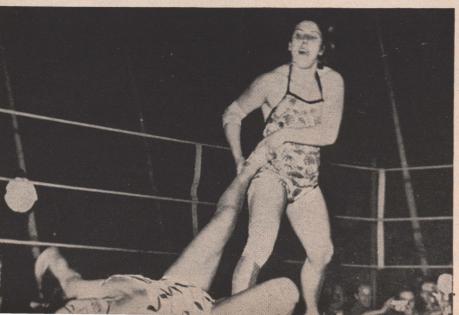


Robert Deza Gonzalez, a former boxer, weighing 260 pounds and standing six feet one inch tall, a Californian now making his home in New York. A lad to watch.

falo bouts. He has opposed the best opponents in Canada and says he is now ready to take care of all comers.

Another bout they are still talking about is the tag match between Bruno Sammartino and Ilio Di Paolo vs. Hans Schmidt and Bulldog Brower. This pier-six embroglio required the constant attention of ringside police in order to protect the fans as well as the wrestlers.

Fans who desire answers to their enquiries are kindly requested to forward self-addressed stamped envelopes for their replies. The writer can be contacted at 138 Lockwood Ave., Buffalo 20, N. Y.



German girls in France. A Parisian nightclub decided to take a leaf out of entertainment policy book of other Continental hot spots much to the enjoyment of the patrons. Our candid shutter bug failed to identify the lassies and we wish we had their names . . . don't you?



Mike Sharpe collars Ernie Roth while Big Jim Wright reads the riot act to Ernie with help of his finger. Roth apparently is being told to be careful of what he says when he comments on wrestling matches over "Big Time Wrestling" TV show at Calgary, Canada, over which he presides. (Photo by Walter Petrigo)

MASSACHUSETTS MAT ACTION By DICK HYATT

Now that the new year is upon us, we thought it would be a good idea to take stock of the wrestling situation in Massachusetts. The lack of a central governing body has allowed many promotional groups to bill their top drawing cards as the "real champion". We don't go along with this type of set up, but since this is true in Boston and the rest of the state, here is a summary of the way things work in the land of the bean and the cod.

The Santos Wrestling Enterprises and the East Coast Wrestling Corp. are competing for the fan's dollars. The former group is headed by Tony Santos a former assistant to Paul Bowser in the heyday of local wrestling action. Santos has been promoting shows on a regular basis at the Boston Arena since the fall of 1961. He also sponsors shows in Lynn, Brockton, North Attleboro, Worcester and other cities across the state. Now that the hockey season is in full swing, it is hard to find a place to hold wrestling bouts in Boston, so the Arena annex is being made over to seat about 1200 fans. This will enable Santos Inc. to stage weekly shows there and move to the Garden for big attractions.

Counted on to bring in the crowds are the following title claimants: Jackie Fargo (world champion); Frank Scarpa (U.S. title holder); and Ireland's heavyweight king, Patrick O'Hara.

The East Coast Wrestling Corporation under Dom Papaleo is the newest promotional group in the area. They have had trouble drawing any kind of crowd in their initial shows and must have lost money on all of them. However, the policy of



Western States Tag Team Champs Buddy Fuller and Ed Gran Lotario, pose for ring camera so that fans might see their championship belts.

featuring big name wrestlers is slowly bringing back fans who have been away from the sport for the last few years. Papaleo is billing Vern Gagne as the heavyweight champion and has matched him against Dick the Bruiser and Bill Miller in exciting bouts. The man who could be a genuine drawing card is former champion, Don Eagle. It was in the Boston Garden ring that Eagle won the title from Frank Sexton over ten years ago, and has always been a big favorite with local wrestling buffs. His recent victory over rugged Bill Miller shows that he is as good as ever.

MIAMI MAT ACTION By KEN MITNICK

Wrestling fans all over the Sunshine State are thrilled about the return of Eddie Graham to the wrestling ring.

A newcomer has hit the Florida area—a man who wrestles under the name of The Mighty Zorro. This man is supposed to be from Europe and is one of the meanest wrestlers ever seen by this writer.

Miami Beach promoter Chris Dundee has been giving his wrestling fans the best in wrestling entertainment all through the summer months with such men as Lenny Montana, The Fabulous Kangaroos, Mike Paidousis and many others. Here are some results from the wrestling shows at the Miami Beach Auditorium. . . .

The Fabulous Kangaroos, Roy Heffernan and Al Costello again wrestled in the Miami Beach Auditorium as they faced the popular twosome of Steve Bolus and Steve Kovacs. These

Kangaroos are two of the roughest wrestlers ever to appear in the Florida area. They are second only to the great tag team combination of Kurt and Karl Von Brauner. The Kangaroos easily defeated the Two Steves.

In another match, Reggie Parks defeated The Great Malenko in two straight falls. Parks should have won the title, but he won the first fall via the disqualification route, and so he did not win the title. Tony Baillargeon defeated Red Roberts, and Mike Paidousis defeated Don Green with a flying cross-bar.

Eddie Graham defeated Pedro Godoy in a match which had the fans on the edges of their seats all the way. Don Curtis and Joe Scarpa defeated The Fabulous Kangaroos in two falls. The Kangaroos were disqualified in both falls.

Tony Baillargeon won over the Mighty Zorro because of DQ, but the popular Tony was severely hurt a couple of times during the match. Maurice LaPointe won over John Heath.

NEWS FROM PHOENIX

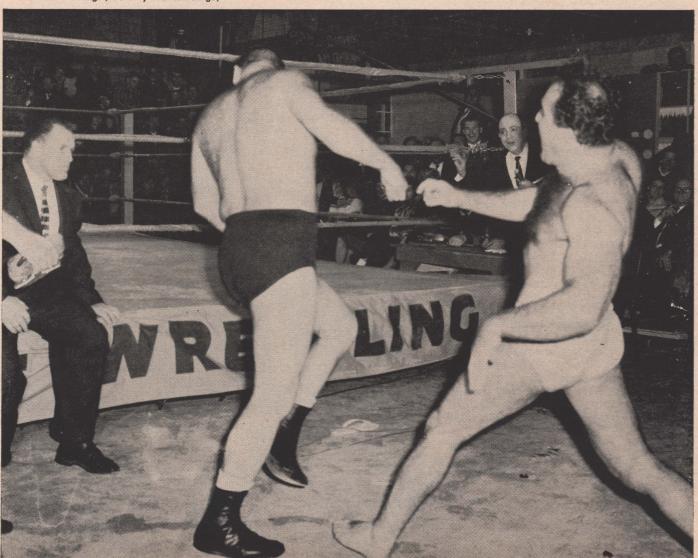
Buddy Fuller met Danna O'Shocker and Fuller won their meeting with a jackknife hold.

Gregg Petterson met Ed Sharpe in a one fall match. Gregg won, it was a hard match as Sharpe is anything but a gentle man.

Ken Lucas and the Baby Blimp met Jerry Koyak and Andre Drapp. I was amazed to see Koyak throw all 300 pounds of the Blimp over his head when the Blimp had the hold on Koyak. But it happened and Lucas and the Blimp took the match in two out of three falls.

The Mighty Jumbo is here now, all 585 pounds of him. He

Nasty, Nasty, Temper! Jim Wright, left, ducks the flying feet of Johnny Kostas as both lads go berserk outside of ring in Canada on a Stu Hart promotion. The 240 pound Kostas defeated the 255 pound Wright, who hails from Tucson, Arizona, when the referee finally managed to get both men back into the ring. (Photo by Walter Petrigo)





Bert Assirati of London, England, the greatest British heavyweight of recent times. Retired from active competition, he still maintains his interest in the sport.

took on Mike DiBiase and Ed Sharpe, but lost. They got plenty rough and Jumbo ended up pretty bloody.

The Baby Blimp met El Gran Lotario in a one hour time limit. It ended in a draw when the hour was up.

Rocky Smith went against Bud Cody in a one fall match. Rocky came out the winner in that one.

Tex Riley met Ed Sharpe in a one fall match and Riley showed who was boss, and it only took him 4 minutes to do it.

Gregg Petterson and Rocky Smith teamed to meet Ken Lucas and the Baby Blimp in a 90 minute match. Each team had one fall when the time ran out so that was a draw.

The Mighty Jumbo won by disqualification over the Baby Blimp in another match.

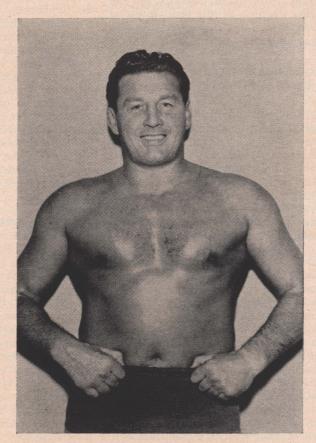
Andre Drapp met Hans Steiner and Drapp won that when Steiner was disqualified.

Ed Sharpe met Tex Riley, Riley had a submission from Sharpe in about 8 minutes. It was a one fall match.

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Vincente Castilla took the name of Quasimodo because of the large lump on his neck. Born in Spain, he has appeared throughout Europe where he has been a leading box office draw.



Billy Parks, fast rising Canadian Grappler, who has been gaining friends wherever he appears. Experts say he will in the near future be right up at the top.

LONE STAR GRAPPLING By MIKE GLOVER

El Medice II, the masked Mexican who has taken Texas by storm, continued his winning ways—scoring title wins over Danny McShane, The Mummy, Tough Tony Berne, Tare Myaki, Joe Tangare and Sailor Art Thomas.

The hooded champion also clipped globe-trotting Lou Thesz in a non-title fray in Houston.

The Texas champ dumped McShane twice, as the "Strutting Irishman" ran afoul of Medice's potent elbow spikes. Thesz, Tangare, and Thomas all succumbed similiarly—with Gentleman Joe and Sailor Art shuttled off to the dressing room with first and second fall injuries, respectively.

In West Texas, the Dalton Brothers remained supreme in the face of tag challenges offered by The Viking and Sir Nelson Royal; Cowboy Carlson and Mr. Clean, and Cowboy Bob Ellis and Carlson.

Victor the wrestling bear, accompained by his wrestler-manager Tuffy Truesdale, also hit the Lone Star grappling scene. Top-notch meanies Tony Borne, Ivan the Terrible, Tito Kepa, Al Lovelock, and The Mighty Prussian all met their demise at the hands . . . or . . . claws of the 400-pound bruin.

PACIFIC NORTHEAST WRESTLING By DEAN A. SILVERSTONE

Three thousand eight hundred fans jammed into the Seattle Civic Arena recently to witness one of promoter and matchmaker Harry Elliott's Northwest Championship Wrestling cards, topped by a Luther Lindsey-Maurice Vashon title match.

Vashon, Algeria's threat to pro grappling, was unsuccessful in attempting to regain the coveted Northwest championship belt when Lindsey held the bearded wild man to a one hour time limit draw.

On the same card, Haru Sasaki defeated Catalina George Drake; The Scorpion, a hooded 6-7 grappler defeated Danno McDonald; Pat Patterson stopped Ted Evans; Shag Thomas whipped Germany's Fritz von Goering and Baby Cheryl beat Darling Dagmar in a female midget bout refereed by Dolly Darsell.

FIFTH POLE OF THE MAT:—A new rule was added to the books in Seattle which states that all four posts of the ring must be taped at the top. This rule resulted from an injury received by Dean Higuchi, when he cut his eye on the top of the post, requiring seven stitches. . . . Shag Thomas, who in the past three years of wrestling has lost only five matches, spent over \$500.00 on Christmas gifts this year. . . . Luther Lindsey has been forced not to wear knee supporters as it was discovered

that he used a knee brace supported with steel. It was found out by Maurice Vashon—the hard way.

ST. LOUIS WRESTLING By LARRY MATVSIK

While St. Louis thrilled to the vicious feud between rugged Johnny Valentine and gangling Killer Kowalski, and the great series of bouts between former champions Lou Thesz and Pat O'Connor, the flashy Frenchman, Edouard Carpentier moved up for another crack at the world crown.

On a thrilling super-spectacular, the popular Carpentier dumped tough Rip Hawk in a grudge match. The 7,538 fans roared as Carpentier came back from two reverse neck breakers to pin the Ripper with a series of steamrollers. The second main event saw Kowalski gain the initial verdict in his feud with Valentine. With two no-contests under their belts, both men were out for blood. Actually the Seattle blond, Valentine, had pinned Killer with a brainbuster, but the referee had been stunned moments before couldn't call the fall. Kowalski came back to use a bearhug to ram Valentine into the turnbuckles and pin him. The 260pound mauler hurriedly departed while an irate Valentine complained to the referee.

A fine turnout of 7,982 witnessed another battle between Kowalski and Valentine at Kiel Auditorium. It was a Texas "death match", and it should have been made to order for the Killer, but Valentine stormed back from a terrific beating to edge Kowalski. Johnny took the first fall, but then lost three in a row before capping the fifth fall with a sleeper hold. The bloodied Valentine was declared the winner when Kowalski was unable to continue.

MINNESOTA WRESTLING NEWS By NORMAN H. KIETZER

Verne Gagne is still ruling a version of the world heavyweights, but he has two high ranking challengers in the persons of John "Moose" Evans and Reggie "The Crusher" Lisowski to cope with in the near future. Verne defeated Evans in his last Minneapolis title defense. Evans and the Crusher have met three times during the past month in three of the bloodiest matches in Minnesota history. The Crusher holds a slight edge, but only because of a gash in Moose's forehead that just won't heal. Both men have proved their right for a shot at the world title. Other matches during the month have seen The Crusher defeat Doug Gilbert, Bob Geigel, and Stan Kowalski. Evans meanwhile has defeated Kurt Von Brauner and Cry Baby Cannon.

Two of the big names in wrestling, Dick Steinborn & Doug Gilbert, have joined forces to form one of the worlds top tag teams. Steinborn, who formerly teamed with Johnny Weaver and Eddie Graham, and Gilbert, who until recently was a regular partner of Antonino Rocca and on occasion Verne Gagne, are certain that they can beat any team in the world. This undefeated team has already beaten such topnotch teams as Kurt Von Brauner & George "Crybaby" Cannon, Bob Geigel & Rocky Hamilton, and Bob Orton & Ivan Zukov.

MATSIDE By JAYE L. HUEY

RESULTS — OMAHA CIVIC AUDITORIUM: Verne Gagne scientifically defeated Bobby Managoff. Dickie Steinborn defeated Crusher Lisowski by disqualification. Ernie Dusek defeated Stan Stasiak at 16:15. Guy Mitchell defeated St. Paul Minnesota Gene Anderson at 15:50.

RESULTS — MINNEAPOLIS AUDITORIUM: Crusher Lisowski vs. Larry Hamilton no contest. Doug Gilbert "Mr. High" and Dick Steinborn, "Mr. Low," defeated Boris and Nicoli Volkoff, two out of three falls. Big John Evans 350, of Albany defeated Firpo Zbysko, 248 pounds of Poland at 6:18. Jack Lanza, Albuquerque, N.M. defeated Johnny King, 226, of Atlanta, in 15:20.

John King of Atlanta is Big John Evans manager.

When will Verne Gagne get a chance at a World Champion crown? No champion wrestled Gagne since Lou Thesz.

NEWARK, N.J. RESULTS: Gene Stanlee defeated Pedro Escobar, Ken Ackles defeated Fritz Wallick 13:28, Tony Martinelli and Frank Milano defeated Soldier Barry and Man Mountain Dean Jr. Ed. White and Leon Kirilenko drew (twenty-minutes).

CINCINNATI MATLINE By BILLY LEE HENSLEY

In matches held at Cincinnati Gardens! In the opener old veteran Frankie Talaber scored a win over newcomer Chuck Campbell with a back flip and a press in 8 minutes 46 seconds.

Newcomer Alex Kostopoulous of Greece made his debut here a successful one as he defeated Pierre LaBelle by a disqualification in 6 min.

Another newcomer Young Rudy Kay made a successful debut as he defeated Big Don Jardine in 9 minutes 20 seconds.

In the main event of the evening the masked Big Bill Miller met Joltin Joe Blanchard with his \$1,000 at stake. Miller took the first fall in 9 min. with knee drops and a press, Blanchard returned to take the second with his Abdominal Stretch. In between falls Miller complained of a leg injury and asked to go to the dressing room to put a support on it, instead he changed

masks and put on one with a steel plate in it and proceeded to butt Blanchard to defeat. A rematch is in the makings.

This writer would like to congratulate Mr. Balk Estes and Jim Barnett for their great success here for the last five years, also Mr. George Murphy who is in his 30th year with the local Boxing and Wrestling Comm.

IOWA RASSLIN' By TOM HANKINS

Promoter Art Mitchell gave the fans an action packed month to start off the New Year of wrestling. On his first card, he pitted the Alaskan (Jay York) against rough Tiny Mills. Mills was unbeaten since coming to Iowa, and he kept it that way. He won by disqualification over the boy from Alaska. Even though Mills may have won on paper, he lost physically.

On the same card, Iowan, Bob Geigle, defeated Rocky Rodriquez. The Big "O", Bob Orton bested Cry Baby Cannon in 1 fall. Powerful Jerome Zacherly, billing himself as the Negro Hercules, gained submission over Jack Wilson. In a gals match Jessica Rogers beat popular Evelyn Stevens

On popular T.V. matches a battle of Iowans took place. Lee Henning beat Bill Cole two straight falls with his famous "Bulldog Grip". The Alaskan beat Jack Wilson.

EUROPEAN WRESTLING NEWS By BRIAN A. JONES

Expected early in the new year is Baron Von Heczey who holds the official heavyweight championship of Australia. Von Heczey who is coming in for Paul Lincoln should provide stiff opposition for heavyweights connected with the Independent Group.

British television viewers recently caught a brief glimpse of Jim Londos the former world champion and all-time great. In a program which shows old newsreels featuring world affairs and other items of interest which took place twenty-five years ago Londos was seen arriving in England for the 1937 match with George Pencheff and shots of the bout were also shown.

Hungarian ace Tibor Szakacs' proposed American visit is temporarily off, he will be making the trip however at a later date.

The death was recently announced of "Bulldog" Bill Garnon the former British champion from Fishguard, Wales. Garnon who in his prime met many of the world's greatest wrestlers appeared in America during the thirties.

IN CANADIAN RINGS with BOB LEONARD

It is my great pleasure to report to mat fans the world over, through the pages of



Jo Ann Phillips, pert and talented Southern Belle, who has been making rapid progress since becoming a wrestler.

this fine new publication, news and views on Canadian ring action. Professional wrestling thrives here in the Dominion, thanks to hosts of ardent fans from Atlantic to Pacific.

In razzle-dazzle metropolitan sports palaces, and small-town, saw-dust-floor arenas, the sport's starriest performers ply their trade. No bush-league territory, this, but a rugged proving ground for both novices and the elite. It's as tough as Texas or New York to break into. Canuck mat afficionados demand action-all-the-way grappling, and it's a land where men and women alike must produce or else.

Look, if you will, at the Pacific Coast, where Rod Fenton of Vancouver holds sway. Fenton stands second to none in shoving over thrill-charged cards. Genial Gene Kiniski, the gargantuan Canadian who played pro football with his hometown Edmonton Eskimos in the early fifties, ranks as Fenton's greatest drawing card. At 6'5" and 275 lbs., Genial Gene can mix it with anyone. The villainous former lineman has had some bloody donnybrooks with such Coast favorites as Whipper Billy Watson, Bearcat Wright, Roy and Don McClarity and Pat O'Connor. Running a close second on the hate parade is Hard-Boiled Haggerty, Kiniski's sometimes tag partner. Another ex-gridiron star, H.B. can generate more hate in less time than any other man. Rounding out Coast cards are such new and established stars as Kinji Shibuya, Mike Valentino, Sandor Kovacs and Vicente Montana, younger brother of the famed Hombe Montana.

Moving east into the Prairies, we find no slow-down in the action. Impressarios Stu Hart of Calgary, Alberta, and 'Chuck' Underhill of Regina, Saskatchewan present unequalled thrills to ever-increasing crowds. At present, that cheerful blond, Dr. Jerry Graham, rules as the No. 1 attraction, both gate-wise and hate-wise. The jolly doctor, who spews claret like a shotgunned wine barrel when struck soundly on the head, is in the midst of fiery feuds with Ronnie Etchison, Don McClarity and Bearcat Wright. Most of the Etchison-Graham bouts have ended with both bleeding badly. They recently tangled in a "Texas Death Match" and are skedded for an Indian Strap Match. In team circles, Mike Sharpe has coupled with Jim "Riot Call" Wright to form a brutal duo, while heroes Dominic Bravo and Don McClarity are allied. Big Bearcat Wright is expected to team with Ricky Waldo, another talented Negro. Wright scored over tough Tony Nero in 33 seconds recently. Johnny Kostas is a real crowd pleaser with loads of ability, ditto Chief Big Heart.

MATSIDE EUROPE By CHARLES MASCALL

For those who love the sport of wrestling devoid of the long haired "gimmick" boys always appreciate the mat craftsmanship of the power-packed Canadian George Gordienko of Winnipeg. Gordienko is currently campaigning in Great Britain with few wrestlers being able to lower his colours.

Marcel Blaise, muscular weight liftercum-wrestler from Montreal, Canada, flew into England last month. Twenty-seven years old, Belgian-born, heavyweight Blaise should get plenty of experience in European mat battles. There are plenty of good grappling men on this side of the Atlantic.

It was announced from Buckingham Palace during the month that His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh, will, for the first time in modern day history, attend a professional wrestling tournament at the Royal Albert Hall in aid of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme. Promoters of the Royal Albert Hall tournaments are Dale Martin Promotions Ltd. of London who actually promote forty tournaments of wrestling per week which makes them the biggest promoters of the mat sport in history.

Greek born Johnny Kostas, the modern 'Golden Greek', who has been most places on the face of the globe, will be back in Europe any day now. For quite some months Kostas has been the mainstay of the Stu Hart promotions in Western Canada.

Mighty giant 300-pound Big Bill Verna, a mammoth man from Perth, Australia, has been jousting around Europe for the past ten years. He hopes to return to Australia any day now. He has met and beaten some of the greatest stars in Europe, India, Pakistan.

"I'VE CHANGED MY TUNE"

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week before Ortiz fought Brown, I was matched with Luis Molina, a tough little ex-Marine who was unbeaten in 19 fights. It was a TV fight in his home town, San Jose, Cal. and it was being steamed up as a pre-title fight for Molina.

"After this," Molina was saying, "I'll go to Las Vegas and challenge the winner." That was one trip which proved unnecessary. I got a unanimous decision in his home town. I won it by a mile. But here's the difference. Instead just making sure of the win, I put pressure on Molina as if I really was mad at the poor kid. I had him bleeding from the nose by the third round, at the finish he had lumps under both eyes. Every round I bombed him with right-left combinations that shook him to his heels.

After the fight, I got telegrams and phone calls from all over the country congratulating me. The boxing writer in Muskegon wrote: "Lane was a standout last night. But he should have fought a week later." He meant, of course, that I ought to have had the chance to put on this show against Brown.

TELLS ABOUT POOR FIGHT AGAINST STABLE

I have been in this new mood since almost the start of 1961. The experience that stirred me up was a fight I had at the old St. Nick's Arena in New York. I was boxing Jose Stable, a youngster from Cuba with a nice record. Still, he wasn't a guy I should have lost any time worrying about.

I fought a poor fight. I let him get off with left hooks and he piled up enough points to win unanimously. I was just boxing and that was far from enough. I do have an alibi. Leaving from Muskegon I ran into a storm and my plane was forced down. I rode a bus 22 hours from Buffalo to New York. But it hadn't been the trip alone, it was something in me I had to get rid of

In my next fight I went down to Caracas, Venezuela, to meet Carlos Hernandez, a great right hand puncher, they said. He's

the fellow who broke featherweight champ Davey Moore's jaw some years ago. He had flattened a flock of guys.

I was hot at myself for the Stable fight and I was determined to shake all that cautiousness. The "book" on me in Caracas must have been to the effect that I would give Hernandez punching room.

Nobody could have been more surprised than he was. I chased him all over the ring.

If I say I won seven rounds to his three, it would be understating the case. The hand I got when it was over convinced me I not only had won, I'd really delighted his countrymen.

ANNOUNCER HOLLERED "DRAW" NO CARDS TO PROVE IT

But instead of announcing the vote, the announcer gestured with his hands to show it was a draw. I was amazed and I had my Spanish-speaking second go over and ask to look at the cards. "There aren't any cards," the announcer told him. The crowd didn't like it any more than I did. They screamed bloody murder. A group of fans hoisted me on their shoulders and carried me up the aisle, all the while cursing the officials and cheering me.

I knew there was no hope I could fight him again there and I came back to the states. I campaigned wherever bouts turned up, in Texas—Dallas, Odessa, San Antonio. In Dallas I got another taste of somebody else's home cooking. I fought Curtis Cokes, a running boxer. He was still running at the finish, so it was called a draw.

These standoffs make me think of a great line I once heard from Frank Bachman, the old manager who used to handle Maxie Rosenbloom, when they would barnstorm everywhere. When Bachman dickered with a promoter for a fight with a local boy, he'd say: "If we win it, can we get a draw?"

I didn't let such situations discourage me. In the fall of 1961 I went to Europe to fight a Paris favorite named Aissa Hashas, an Algerian. I put on the all-court press, as the basketball players say, and there was no alternative for this time. They had to raise my hand.

In the back of my noodle there was a plan to fight Carlos Hernandez again, someplace where I'd have an even chance. I noticed that Madison Square Garden was bringing him up to box Paolo Rosi. I phoned Teddy Brenner, who always has been a friend to me, and said: "If he (Hernandez) gets over Rosi, will you get him for me?"

Teddy laughed and I asked why. He said: "I've got fat news for you. I was going to call you tomorrow and ask you to start training for the winner."

I said: "I've got fatter news for you, I think I know who the winner is going to be, Hernandez will nail Rosi and knock him out, Rosi is too easy to hit. It didn't go beyond the first.

I fought Hernandez in the Garden in a summer TV fight. The wise guys who bet were so one-sided in their opinion they wouldn't take bets on Hernandez. If anybody was sucker enough to want Lane, they were ready to give him 3-1. You could get even money if you thought I would go the 10 rounds.

None of that bothered me and I stepped into the ring with all the confidence in the world. Maybe a little too much. I backed him up so easy in the first two rounds that I forgot he even had a right hand. In the third, I remembered all right. He caught me on the chin while I was tearing in. I flew back, sitting down but my head was clear as a bell. You can always use a rest, so I took a count before getting up at nine.

LANE GOT UP AND SOON TAGGED HERNANDEZ

But, even while I was on the floor, I was saying to myself "Don't worry, kid, he belongs to you, I'll show you." Darned if I didn't show myself right in the same round. I moved into him, right jab, right jab, then left cross, left cross. Now he was backing up.

Hernandez hadn't gotten one bit smart either. He kept pegging that right hand, I kept going under it. People who say "you fight them southpaws with a straight right" are crazy, a guy who jabs has a better chance to bop me.

What I did to him all the way was almost a joke. One official gave him one round. And it was a fast fight. I never let him alone. I'm not supposed to be a real puncher but a couple of times I hit him so hard his legs crossed. The crowd couldn't have had a better time and, in the dressing room, Teddy Brenner said to me: "It will take time but I promise you one thing, Kenny, I'll get Carlos Ortiz for you.

I'm putting a lot of faith in Brenner—but I'm backstopping him with my manager, Pete Petroskey, and David I. Gudelsky, chairman of the Michigan State Athletic Board of Control (Boxing Commission) and a member of the World Boxing Association Rating Committee.

U.S. THREATS TO BOXING BAFFLE FAR EAST

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Puyat, Steel Boxing Club, has arranged for weekly shows.

The finals in the zone matches will be held in Manila to be followed by the Philippine National Open tourney. The top two in the finals will be sent for further schooling in matches with Thailand, Singapore, Korea and Japan and from these meets will emerge the Philppine



"Little Nene", who was a former outstanding boxer in the Orient and now is a promoter in Singapore. He is trying to revive the sport in the Malay peninsular.

U. S. THREAT . . . (Continued from page 24)

representatives for the Tokyo Olympics.
The system employed in the Philippines is little different from what the Japanese are doing, except that the Japanese are de-

pending on their collegians more so than other Far Eastern countries. In the U.S. we lack the amateurs of the Asiatics.

My observations in six weeks tour of the Orient that ended in Hawaii leads to the conclusion that unless America wakes up and gets going on a specialized program, we won't get far in boxing in the next Olympics. The rest of the world has a big jump on us.

While we've been asleep since the last Golden Gloves tourneys, Europe and Asia have been at work with programs in which hundreds of amateur boxers are being tutored through active competition.

The only amateur boxing in the U.S. has been staged by the armed forces which indicates that as in the Rome Olympics, service-men from U.S. camps around the world will make up the greater part of the team sent to Japan.

THEY WILL HOLD ON BENEFITS IN ELORDE

Those in charge of the Philippine Boxing Association are wealthy men who contribute to other branches of sport, especially polo which is big in the Islands. Dr.

Oscar Jacinto, Alfred Reyes, Antonio Castilleo, Benjardi Crame and Eugeneo Puyat are the leaders in the amateur field.

Now that the AAU-College conflict has been settled by General MacArthur's intervention, let's hope a U.S. boxing program will get under way quickly to meet the foreign threat.

Elorde, has invested his money in a venture that should keep him financially safe when he retires. He purchased 40 acres of undeveloped land in a section about 20 miles from Manila, and there has established his home. He has built a beautiful house. He also has a swimming pool, a 10 room house for his boxers whom he trains. There are 22 in his group. These boys live with him, share his meals and train in a special gym for them.

They work on his little estate. Flash explained that none of his boxers pays any fee. His payment is their services. They clear the fields, help with his plantation and do necessary house chores. It is an arrangement liked by those he is benefitting, each of whom remains in Flash's camp so long as he is part of Elorde's boxing stable.

Cassius Clay, the outspoken boxer gives his views to the N.Y. Investigations Committee at an Albany hearing. Flanking Clay are representatives of the Boxing Writers Association (left) Sportscaster Don Dunphy and (right) Association President, Barney Nagler.

N. F. SPEAKS OUT

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young man would develop at least some skill in a sport that interests him and that he could carry that through life."



Boxing is one of those sports and those who follow it as a profession, go all out to win. A properly conditioned boxer who has learned how to defend himself, is in less danger of getting hurt than are most of those who compete in major contact sports.

Outlawing boxing because of an occasional death, is not the answer. If it were, we shouldn't have any more football, hockey or basketball.

Boxing will remain a part of American sports so long as the people want it. It will go out when popular demand calls for its passing. As of now, the TV ratings for boxing indicate that the public definitely is interested in its continuance. The ratings are higher for boxing than any other entertainment except the baseball world series and professional football playoffs.

The U.S. Army recently reported that the Special Services Activities where Army personnel are based, shows that 35,294 service men participated in the boxing program for the period of April 30 to June 30, in 1960 and last year, 120,000 service men from all parts of the world where our men are stationed, took part in camp bouts, either as part of the regular training program or in preparation for the various championship tourneys staged in the nine Army zones, leading up to the finals.

Poland, Russia and Roumania among the Communist nations go all out in encouraging their youths to compete in amateur boxing. Every city has its club. Some 130,000 boys participated in city and inter-city tryouts for the last Olympic Games in those countries.

Boxing in our armed forces is part of the physical training program, the same as it is in the Communist countries. It is a conditioner and an excellent one to harden the men. It was used extensively in World War I.

Those who are members of the newly formed organization, "Let's Kill Boxing," call it a brutalizing sport. They say it is legalized murder. If it is, then those in charge of the conditioning of our service men should be dismissed from the armed forces for encouraging such atrocity.

That misguided brigade is led by a man who resigned from the N. Y. State Athletic Commission staff of officials. He had judged for pay more championship matches and more non-title bouts than any other official. Yet he never complained of the brutality of boxing while he was an official for more than a quarter of a century.

PROMOTERS ARE HARD TO COME BY

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Max Schmeling is all smiles as he is found fit by a New York Commission Doctor as his manager Joe Jacobs looks on. This was for the Phantom Fight with James J. Braddock, who was busy at the time defending his title against Joe Louis in Chicago.

there was gambling in Las Vegas. By then Rhodes had withdrawn from the promotion. Patterson won in 11 rounds. The bout was not a financial success.

If it is any consolation to Liston he is not the first to be denied a license by the New York Commission in connection with a heavyweight title fight. Jack Dempsey was turned down when he applied in 1926 for the purpose of defending the crown against Gene Tunney.

The refusal was political. For the first time since Jack Johnson ruled the heavyweight division race became an issue. Promoter Tex Rickard was sidetracking Harry Wills, the Negro challenger, who was generally regarded as the No. 1 contender.

The Negro vote in New York's Harlem was a consideration the Commission could not ignore. Unable to promote a Dempsey-Tunney fight in New York, Rickard moved to Philadelphia, just 90 miles from Broadway.

The shift was a spectacular success financially as 120,757, the largest crowd ever to witness a boxing bout, paid \$1,895,733. Pennsylvania's cut in taxes was \$98,000.

Tunney won the title on a decision in 10 rounds. Later that year Jack Sharkey eliminated Wills, and before Dempsey could get a chance to regain the crown he was forced to eliminate the Boston sailor.

Rickard, still on the move, promoted the second Tunney-Dempsey fight in Chicago where the \$2,658,660 gate was the largest yet drawn.

Rickard's refusal to give Wills a shot at the title, if the decision was his, was based on the difficulties Jack Johnson was involved in when he was champion. Times had changed, and they have changed even more, and for the better. But Johnson, as the first Negro heavyweight champion, was resented by some of the white population.

An early Rickard promotion had involved an attempt by James J. Jeffries to "restore the prestige of the white race." Jeff had been idle six years, having retired undefeated, when he was persuaded to come back and fight Johnson.

The fight was put up for bids. They were to be opened at the Hotel Albany in New York City, but then as now reformers were active. Boxing was illegal in New York at the time, and William Travers Jerome, the district attorney, declared it was a violation to even bid on a fight.

If the bids were opened Jerome declared he would jail all concerned. Confronted by this ultimatum all concerned took a ferry to Hoboken, N.J., where Rickard's \$101,000 bid was the one accepted. The site chosen was San Francosco, and work had already started on an outdoor arena when trouble developed.

Gov. Gillett, of California, stepped in and banned the fight. Eddie Graney, an unsuccessful bidder, and a San Francisco promoter, was active in opposition, and the Governor was also visited by a group of club women, who on their knees begged him to ban the brutal spectacle that was to pit a Negro against a white man.

Rickard always believed Sunny Jim Cofforth, the leading promoter of the time, was behind Graney. The California club women's attitude toward a Negro fighting a white man may have influenced his thinking in later years when he refused to promote a Dempsey-Wills bout.

Tex never forgot getting the bum's rush in California. Before he settled on Toledo as the scene of the Dempsey-Jess Willard fight he insisted that Mayor Ad Thatcher get the assurance of Gov. James M. Cox that there would be no interference. Then, as now, Ohio had no state law, and boxing was and is conducted under local option.

Gov. Cox, a newspaper publisher, and in 1920 the Democratic nominee for President, had no objections, and in three rounds Dempsey destroyed Big Jess.

Rickard moved the Jeffries-Johnson fight to Reno, Nev. There, on July 4, 1910, Jeffries proved to be the original hollow shell. Johnson, the winner, was champion, but his travels were just beginning. There was big trouble ahead, including conviction of violating the Mann Act, and a hurried flight abroad.

A fugitive from his native land, Johnson lived it up in Europe. He fought on occasion, and in June 1914 he defended the title by outpointing Frank Moran in 20 rounds. The fight took place in Paris, and Moran, who referred to his right as "Mary Ann," never hit Johnson a solid blow.

Moran was managed by Dan McKet-

rick, an American, who appears to have doubled as the promoter. They had a falling out, and McKetrick tied up all the money, even as did Uncle Sam following the Liston-Patterson fight. Before the lawyers could file briefs the guns of August had begun to thunder, and World War I was on. Following the war nobody could find a trace of the money.

Neither Johnson nor Moran ever was paid for his efforts. Moran could return home, and did, but Johnson was an exile in a nation at war. Eventually he got together in London with Jack Curley, the famed wrestling promoter. Curley offered Johnson \$30,000 to defend the title against Willard, one of the surviving "white hopes" in Juarez, Mexico.

Implied, if not promised, was that somehow Johnson would be able to return to return to the United States, where all would be forgiven.

The location had to be abandoned as Juarez was in the hands of Pancho Villa, the bandit leader of a revolution, and Vera Cruz, the port of entry, was held by President Carranza.

Carranza would not give the heavy-weight champion a path to Juarez, where the fight would only strengthen Villa's hold. The only other way open was through the United States where he faced arrest and prison.

Johnson, who had arrived from Spain via Buenos Aires, shifted course to Havana. There on April 5, 1915, Johnson fell before Willard in the 26th round. Trail's end was a prison cell in the United States, where after serving a year he was at last free.

On a much earlier occasion another heavyweight champion, James J. Corbett, elected to defend the title against England's Charley Mitchell at Jacksonville, Fla. The Governor had made a grand-stand play of stopping the fight, and while the fighters were in the ring, soldiers, who had circled the arena entered quietly and took seats.

Following Corbett's victory both he and Mitchell were indicted. A jury took 10 minutes to acquit them.

Liston has had his troubles with the law, and he also has had difficulty finding a place where he could explode his dynamite. But in this he is no different than several of his predecessors. They, too, followed a long, hard trail.

FATE • FATE • FATE • • •

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Les Darcy, often called Australia's greatest boxer, in Memphis, Tenn., thousands of miles away from his home "Down Under."

Dave Sands, also a middleweight and generally considered the best Aussie since Darcy, was taken away in an automobile accident while still showing great potential in the ring. Of the 13 occupants of the

vehicle, Sands was the only one who lost his life.

The same fate that made him a hero far beyond the meaning of the word as ordinarily applied to fighters, claimed the life of heroic Rudell Stitch, one time welterweight contender from Louisville, Ky. In 1958 Stitch became one of the rare recipients of the Carnegie Medal for heroism, when at the risk of his life he saved an Army Corps of Engineers worker from drowning in the Ohio River.

Two years later, in a similar attempt to save the life of a fishing companion, Stitch lost his own.

Fate does not always have to take a dire turn. Destiny marked off a detour for magnetic former middleweight champion Rocky Graziano. The rocky road towards which he first directed his footsteps turned into a highway over which the rehabilitated Rocky rides a Cadillac through a happy and useful life.

Fate sometimes comes disguised as the knock of opportunity. The late Billy M'Carney, long known as the "old professor of Pugilism"; used to tell of how he once literally turned his back on this knock, which came in the form of a poke in the back. It slammed him up against the bar of a cafe before which he was whiling away an evening in Colorado Springs, Colo.

"Turning around," M'Carney recalled, "I saw the toughest looking bird you ever laid eyes on. He had on an old green sweater, that had never been washed, a bashed in nose, a blue-black beard stubble, and a high piping voice.

McCARNEY TURNED HIS BACK ON JACK DEMPSEY

"Are you a fight manager?" the guy said. 'I am.' I told him. 'Well, I'm a fighter and I'm lookin' for a manager. My name's Kid Blackie.'

"I looked this bum over," M'Carney said, "and decided I wasn't interested. For one thing he wasn't very big, so I turned my back on the fellow and a million dollars. It was Jack Dempsey."

If M'Carney failed to embrace fate's bounty when it was being offered, Jack "Doc" Kearns did not make the same mistake. There have been varied versions of how he first made contact with Dempsey. But it has been established that the place was somewhere in California, and it is equally definite that both were being buffeted by fortune.

Dempsey "down in the dumps," and discredited due to a dubious one round knockout by old Fireman Jim Flynn, was but little removed from a "Skid Row" drifter. The "Doctor," with little or nothing to show for a decade of fight managing, was himself but a whisker away from desperate straits.

However it came about, Fate has

handed out few better deals than the one Dempsey and Kearns received when Chance brought them together.

Although the association's termination was acrimonious and unhappy, fame and wealth came to both.

If what has already happened is an augury, 23 year old Emile Griffith, as he takes another step up life's stairway, cannot help but wonder what fate has in store for him in "the darkness at the top of the stairs."

WORLD RATINGS

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Gaspar Ortega of Mexico, winner over Charley Scott of Philadelphia, is ranked eighth and undefeated newcomer Dick Turner of Philadelphia is listed tenth.

Curtis Cokes of Dallas, Texas, kayo victor over Johnny Newman of Los Angeles, advanced from eighth to sixth place. Isaac Logart of New York, who beat Mel Collins of Trenton, N. J., advanced from tenth to ninth with both Jorge Fernandez of Argentina and Rip Randall of Dallas, each up one notch, to fourth and fifth respectively.

With the title vacant following the retirement of Duilio Loi of Italy, the only change in the junior welter division finds Jose Napoles of Cuba advanced from tenth to ninth, trading posts with inactive Ben Medina of Fresno, California.

Former champion Joe Brown of Houston, Texas, kayo victor over Tony Noreiga of Fresno, California, gained a notch, fourth to third position, trading with inactive Doug Vallant of Cuba who is matched to meet Carlos Ortiz in a lightweight title bout on March 30 in Puerto Rico.

European champion Dave Charnley of England traded positions with inactive Arthur Persley of Red Crosse, La., now in the Philippines where he is likely to become the trainer of Olympic team candidates. Dave is seventh and Persley, eighth.

The good performance of Johnny Bizzarro when he lost his title shot with Flash Elorde, enabled him to rise from fifth to fourth despite that loss. He exchanged places with Jose Luis Cruz of Mexico.

Vince Derardo of Argentina, winner over top ranked feather, Rafiu King of Nigeria is rated seventh from his previous ninth position, with Harold Gomes of Providence, R. I., and Oscar Reyes of the Philippines, each down one, to eighth and ninth, respectively.

The loss suffered by Rafiu King, dropped the Nigerian in the feather class to fourth from his second post, with Kazuo Takayama of Japan up from third to second and Howard Winstone of Wales, who retained his British title by stopping Johnny Morrissey, advanced from fifth

to third. Inactive Jet Bally of the Philippines dropped from fourth to fifth.

A newcomer appears in the bantam class in Ronnie Jones of Chicago who stopped European bantam king, Piero Rollo of Italy. He replaces Edmundo Esparza of Mexico in the tenth spot, the latter having been kayoed by Joe Medel of Mexico. Rollo shifted places with Medel, the Italian down to fourth and Joe up to second place.

Hiroyuki Ebihara of Japan, that country's third rated performer in the flyweight class, advanced from sixth to fifth as a result of his triumph over Vic Campo of the Philippines. He exchanges positions with inactive Pascual Perez of Argentina.

MEN IN DESPERATION

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thirteenth, heaving leather with amateurish overtones. But anxiety coupled with strength had a value. He bulled Walcott against the ropes and once more let go with his Sunday punch, the "Suzy-Q," as trainer Charley Goldman called it.

This time it did not fail, the blow hitting Walcott imperatively on the side of the jaw. In Jersey Joe's head bells must have rung, before his eyes the world must have whirled. He crumpled into a heap, knocked out his championship by the fighter at whom he'd scoffed.

The pages of fight history contain many more such instances of the frantic punch . . . great as had been his abilities, Sugar Ray Robinson must have leaned on something of that sort in his comeback conquest of Randy Turpin and his single-shot rehauling of the championship from Gene Fullmer in one of his middleweight reigns . . . so it has gone with countless others.

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PATTERSON ENTITLED TO CHANCE FOR REVERSAL

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LISTON ISN'T KEEN FOR FLOYD RIGHT NOW

Liston certainly opens no door to a possible reversal. He was not keen for fighting Floyd again at this time, and would have preferred a Johansson match. Liston will want to get this thing out of the way and start planning for the future.

This planning, let it be stressed, will not include a Cassius Clay fight within the next two years. Cassius has been talking, but neither he nor his representatives are fools.

The writer's personal belief is that comparatively few fans will want to see this second Liston-Patterson fight.

Worse still, from the financial side, is the possibility that those who are expected to pay \$5 and better to see the fight on theatre television will dodge the possibility of another two minute hoax.

However, I am told that I must revise my estimate of the genus Fight Fan. Many experts say the customers will come out at Miami and the closed circuit theatres the way they did for Floyd's second and astonishing effort against Johansson.

The first meeting of the Swede and Floyd resulted in a gross gate of \$470,717 plus \$1,032,000 from TV.

Believe it or not, the second fight drew a total gross of \$2,824,000 in spite of the fact that thousands of uninvited, non-paying guests rushed the Polo Grounds barricades.

In spite of Patterson's bad showing in losing to the Swede, the television gross for the second fight came to \$2,021,752. In Miami the gross for the fight totalled \$2,544,061, the Bolans announced.

In short, the ways of the fight fan are inscrutable. His likes and dislikes are not to be predicted. Given a fair night at Miami Beach and a season prolonged by nasty weather up North and the financial sheet may surprise the working press.

FLOYD ENTITLED TO CHANCE TO WIN

All of this brings us back to a Big Question. Is this fight really necessary?

Since Patterson got a return match clause into the contract for the Chicago fight, he is entitled to fulfillment of that pact.

The rumor says that he will take another beating. But he is entitled to prove that he has studied out his mistakes of the Comiskey Park affair and that much of his grief last September 25 traced to an off-night and his failure to keep moving around the ring against the flatfooted Sonnyboy. Patterson certainly invited trouble with his inept execution.

When Patterson weighed in for the Liston fight he looked as if he had been up nights worrying. Somebody from his menage said that he had left his fight in camp.

In this Miami Beach return fight Patterson will know that he cannot put up a worse exhibition than he did at Comiskey Park. He has had quite a few off-nights but until he ran into Johansson the first time these outcroppings were not costly. They were still more serious in their consequences against Liston.

Once again Liston will have the tremendous advantage of reach. Once again Liston will have the big edge in the weights, about 214 to 189.

When Floyd tackled Johansson for the second time the psychologists cited the possibility that the memory of the Yankee Stadium knockout by the Swede would hamper Patterson's effort. It did not turn out that way.

However, there is a vast difference between Floyd's recollection of what happened to him in Yankee Stadium and experience at Comiskey Park.

WHAT, IF ANYTHING DID FLOYD DO WRONG?

The situation has been marked by a total absence of conversation from the Patterson side.

Never a loquacious witness, never at the complete disposal of the press, Floyd has been a hermit since his defeat by Liston.

Patterson is reported to making periodic stays at his training camp at Highland Mills, near Cornwall, N. Y.

Now that the time has come to start more intensive work he doubtless will be more available. However, finding that camp of his is not easy. Chances are you will drive right past it and be none the wiser.

For the Chicago fight, Patterson appeared to be in the best possible physical condition. But, for once, this asset did not assert itself in his favor. His condition was there but his lack of ability to take the punishment Sonny handed out manifested itself soon after the opening bell.

What, if anything, did Patterson do wrong? Some say he did not make Liston move around, that he was too static a target.

Some say that he did not cut loose with everything he had from the start but soon maneuvered himself into a fatal position from which he could not extricate himself.

Patterson doubtless could have added some minutes to his life in that ring by getting on a bicycle. But he never could have tired his tormentor and he never could have forestalled the inevitable.

I am inclined to believe that Patterson's plan and execution were as good as he could have made them. It so happened that he was confronted with a better fighter, and that was that.

NO MYSTIC MANEUVER EXISTS FOR PATTERSON

I have found no experts with a ready panacea for Floyd. I have discovered no ring-wise men who pretend to have the knowledge of a deadly ring weapon that might be at the command of the former champion.

If Patterson is knocked out again he will face two possible avenues of action. One, continuance in the ring against the smaller fry for highly reduced pay. Two, retirement from the roped arena.

Floyd has managed to do pretty well for himself financially. He is no wild spender, no lavish liver. He is a family man with inborn frugality. He has been advised well in his investments and never will need a benefit.

I would hate to see Floyd enter the ranks of the also-rans and hang around for one cheaper pay day after another. However, the chance that he ever will demean himself is slimmer than slim. He is a man of great pride and strong resolve.

Liston's conduct since he became the champion has left no room for criticism. He has kept his nose clean, lived quietly and sought no activities which might lead to trouble.

Sonny has been making public appearances. He has refereed fights. He has talked boxing. No blushing violet, but he has earned a lot of good space in the sports pages and helped boxing, and the Liston image as a title holder.

The public now is disposed to give Liston his big chance. That he now is handled by the Nilon brothers has reacted greatly in his favor.

The Nilons operate the concessions in the Pittsburgh ball park. If they weren't 100 percent on the up and up Commissioner Ford C. Frick's private FBI would have turned them in, and Forbes Field would have a new peanuts and pop outfit.

That the Nilons are handling Liston, and that they are answerable to the Commissioner, doubtless will be an important factor in Sonny's favor when he applies to the New York Commission for a license.

THEY TRIED AND TRIED

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GUS LESNEVICH

the fact that he won five titles and made six successful defenses of those championships.

A pair of old rivals stand at the four plateau, Ray Robinson and Carmen Basilio. Carmen was turned back in his first bid for the welterweight title by Kid Gavilan in Syracuse on September 18, 1953, after having Gavilan on the floor.

Basilio later won, lost and rewon the 147 pound laurels in fights with Tony DeMarco and Johnny Saxton. Then he defeated Robinson in Yankee Stadium on September 23, 1957 to win the middleweight title. He lost that back to "Sugar Ray" in Chicago the following spring, then failed in three attempts to win it back, twice being stopped by Gene Fullmer, the NBA champion. In his last fight he was defeated by world champion Paul Pender in Boston on April 22, 1961.

Robinson, who after giving up the welterweight crown, won the middleweight title from Jake LaMotta, played put and take with Randy Turpin, then retired after he was knocked out in his attempt to gain the light heavyweight title from Joey Maxim. They resumed the put and take game after making a comeback and knocking out Bobo Olson to rewin the 160 pound title.

"Sugar Ray" lost the crown to Fullmer, rewon it, lost it to Basilio, and again regained it. He then lost his touch after dropping the championship to Paul Pender on January 22, 1960. He failed to regain a title for the first time when Pender again outpointed him on June 10, 1960. Both of those fights were in Boston.

Robinson then went after the NBA champion Fullmer and appeared to have it made in their Los Angeles fight on December 3, 1960, but the officials called it a draw. When they met again in Las Vegas on March 4, 1961, Gene was a clear winner. Although Ray talks of again fighting for the crown, it appears that he

is fated to be a six time champion and a four time loser.

Ten boxers had three losing bids. Five of them were champions who were turned back in attempts to regain lost crowns or win others. These were Ezzard Charles, who after losing the title to Walcott failed to regain it from him, and twice was turned back by Rocky Marciano.

Gus Lesnevich, who twice was beaten by Billy Conn, before he won the light heavyweight title from Tami Maurillo in the elimination following Conn's retirement as champion when he went after Joe Louis. Then, after losing the title, Gus was turned back in a bid for the heavyweight title by Charles.

Joey Maxim, also failed to win the heavyweight crown in a fight against Charles, and after losing the 175 pound title to Archie Moore was outpointed twice by Archie in rematches.

Bobo Olson failed to win the light heavyweight crown when he was knocked out by Archie Moore, and twice was stopped in bids for the middleweight crown by Ray Robinson, once before he became champion and then as an ex-champ.

Lou Salica, the Brooklyn bantamweight who twice held all or part of the title, also met defeat on three other tries, against Sixto Escobar and Manuel Ortiz, to whom he lost his title. He was held to a draw by George Pace in a final elimination bout for the vacant crown.

The others who went down, three strikes and out, never were able to gain a title. They were Lew Tendler, Joe Thomas, Luis Castillo and Bill Squires.

Tendler, the Philadelphia southpaw, twice was turned back by Benny Leonard. Their first fight was a no-decision affair in Jersey City on July 27, 1922 that went the full twelve rounds. Many felt that Lew had an edge and he was matched again with Benny, this time to a decision. Leonard was too crafty for Tendler and outpointed him after fifteen rounds in New York on July 24, 1923. The following year Lew was defeated in ten rounds by Mickey Walker in Philadelphia in a bid for the welterweight crown.

The others have one other thing in common aside from being three time losers. All their defeats came at the hands of the same man. Castillo, the game little Mexican, thrice was the victim of Manuel Ortiz, and in each fight Luis improved over his previous showing.

Bill Squires who three times failed to lift the heavyweight title from Tommy Burns, also improved each time out. His first try ended in the quickest knockout in heavyweight championship history up to then as Burns disposed of the Australian in 2:09 of the first round on July 4, 1907.

This mark has been bettered three times, once by Burns himself a year later, then by Joe Louis against Max Schmeling



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JACK DEMPSEY knocked out Tony Drake in the 1st round at New Haven, Conn. In his NEXT fight Jack won the Heavy-weight Championship.

and last year by Sonny Liston against Floyd Patterson.

Next time out in Paris on April 18, 1908 Squires lasted until the eighth round and this showing got him a third fight in his native land on June 13, 1908. Bill made a real game fight but was counted out in the thirteenth round.

Joe Thomas had his three tries at the middleweight crown in fights with Stanley Ketchel. Thomas, right name Joe Daly, came from Beverly, Mass. and after he and Ketchel had boxed a twenty round draw on July 4, 1907 they were rematched three months later in San Francisco with the winner to be given recognition as middleweight champion.

They battled it out furiously with Thomas going down for the count in the thirty-second round. Once again a rematch was forthcoming, also in San Francisco, on December 12, 1907. Ketchel won again on a twenty round decision.

They met for a final time on August 18, 1908 in San Francisco and Joe was knocked out in the second round.

The moral of this story is try, try, try again. Sometimes you succeed and sometimes you don't. Luck as well as skill holds a key to the throne room.

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Cassius Clay kayoed Charlie Powell, 3.
Robert Cleroux kayoed Gene Jackson, 3.
Brian London defeated Torm McNeeley, 10.
Jimmy Jones kayoed Jim Olive, 8. Johnny Prescott kayoed Paul Kraus, 1. Archie McBride and Karl Mildenberger, drew, 10.
Billy Walker kayoed Peter Bates, 2. Lew Moses whipped Dave Russell, 8. Pietro Tomasani defeated Tommy Fields, 8.
Floyd Joyner won over Hastings Hart on a disqualification, 4. Gerhard Zech kayoed Uli Nitzschke, 7.
Rico Brooks defeated Jimmy Christopher, 8.
Robert Duquesna defeated Kouame Yao, 10.
George Thibeault kayoed Billy Brown, 1.
Roger Whitley defeated Jim Tillman, 6. Dave Ould stopped Brian Daltrey, 6. Arnie Brower kayoed Olive Veazsey, 4.
Tod Herring kayoed Joe DeGrazio, 5.
Otis Lee defeated Charley Roberts, 6. Sonny Moore kayoed Milt Chapman, 2, and Al Gonzales, 3.
Orrie Paschal kayoed Andy Holf. 1. Willie Jack-

Moore kayoed Milt Chapmaii, 2, and Al Carlagales, 3.

Orrie Paschal kayoed Andy Holt, 1. Willie Jackson defeated Julie Reynolds, 6. Buddy Moore stopped Mert Brownfield, 3.

Willie Williams decisioned Johnny Barrazza, 6. Prentis Snipes stopped Abe Olds, 3. Ulric Regis stopped Leo Peterson, 6. Bill Langley kayoed Johnny Knight, 3.

Lee Batts kayoed Gene Jackson, 5. Sonny Banks kayoed Lou Bailey, 1. Harvey Jones kayoed Chico Gardner, 7.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

Bobo Olson halted Al (Tiger) Williams, 5. Erich Schoppner outpointed Von Clay, 10. Henry Hank outpointed Sixto Rodriguez, 10. Wayne Thorton upset Willie Pastrano, 10. Dean Bogany defeated Kirk Barrow, 12. Yvan Preberg snapped Peter Gumpert's unbeaten skein

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Ted Williams outscored Bob Young, 10. Frank DePaula defeated Marty Pettiford, 8.
Curtis Bruce stopped Paul Johnson, 2. Bennie Bowser defeated Joey Parks, 10.
Jimmy Dupree won over Henry Palmer, 6. Alex Ford kayoed Oscar Burton, 2.
Otha Brown whipped Sammy Stone, 10. Curtis Bruce kayoed Allen Hudson, 3. Bobby Pasquale drew with Frank Niblett, 6 (twice).
Rudi Nehring stopped Gerd Englbrecht, 4.
Marion Connors kayoed Al Williams, 2.
Kurt Stroer stopped Lars Norling, 6. Claude Labonte kayoed Herman Gavon, 4.
Bobby Sand defeated Willie Stevens, 6. Sonny Miles beat Frank Nibleth, 6.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

European champion Laszlo Papp retained his title kayoing George Aldridge, 15. Wilbert McClure kayoed Nick Marc, 6. Ted Wright was held to a draw by Fabio Bettini,

10.
Ray Robinson decisioned Ralph Dupas, 10.
Rubin Carter scored over Gomeo Brennan, 10.
Florentino Fernandez kayoed Hilario Morales,
2. Del Flanagan whipped Joe Davis, 10. Ernie Burford kayoed Jesse Smith, 3.
Joey Archer outscored Blair Richardson, 10.
Don Fullmer won over Eddie Andrews, 10. Tony
Montano defeated Willie Ross, 10.
Lou Gutierrez stopped Harry Tetlow, 2, and J.
C. Ponder, 3. Joe DeNucci defeated Mike Pusateri,
10.

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Duane Horsman kayoed Ernie Smith, 1. Fumio Kaizu defeated Sae Chul Kang, 12.
Larry Carney kayoed Peachy Davis, 2. Jimmy Hairston kayoed Earl Battles, 6. Frank Patterson beat Joe Moss, 8.
Jim Swords kayoed Willie Fisher, 4. Santiago Gutierrez kayoed Teddy Shores, 8. Clarence Alford whipped Bobby Wartham, 8.
Bobby Horn decisioned Mel Ferguson, 10. Willie Green decisioned Algie Simmons, 10. Fernando Barreto defeated Osmar Astudillo, 10.
Masao Gondo kayoed Tony Dominguez, 6. Charley Austin won over Hurricane Kid, 10. Bob Cofer beat Johnny Clyde, 6.
Teddy Pagan defeated Tony Fortunato, 8. Hilton Thomas whipped Marcus Baldwin, 8. Lucius Benson defeated Carl Miner, 6.
Jimmy Wallace won from Jack Holloway, 6.
Doug McLeod stopped Chuck Smith, 5. Andy Mayfield kayoed Jim Robinson, 4.
Cal Brown whipped Ken Meredith, 6. Art Hernandez scored over Ray Sayles, 5.
Clarence James kayoed Cleo Frazier, 9. Willie Green kayoed Hank Jones, 2. Hal Derouen won from Dave Reed, 6.

Felix Santiago decisioned Sigmund Wortherly, 6, and drew with Frankie Olivera, 6. Jimmy Mc-Dermott beat Gene Garrison, 6., Nat Wright scored over Johnny Hobbs, 6. Ray

Lavarro won over Jim Robinson, 6.

WELTERWEIGHTS

World Champion Emile Griffith kayoed Chris

Christensen, 9, (non-title).
Ralph Dupas was outpointed by middleweight Ray Robinson, 10.

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Brian Curvis retained his British title stopping Tony Smith, 10. Curtis Cokes kayoed Johnny Newman, 2. Issac Logart defeated Mel Collins, 10. Gaspar Ortego whipped Charley Scott, 10. Dick Turner kayoed Percy Manning, 3. Paul Christie stopped Bob Fosmire, 1.
Aissa Hashas defeated Lucien Fernandes, 10. Gary Cowburn won on a disqualification over Tommy Collins, 9.
Mel Barker defeated Joey Parks, 10. Makoto Watanabe beat Junya Kosaka, 10.
Sugar Cliff decisioned Tim Ford, 10. Yoshinori Takahashi stopped Earl Basting, 5.
Frankie Ramirez scored over Eddie Andrews, 10. Celestino Pinto drew with Laudelino Batista, 10.

Johnny Torres drew with Hachiro Ito, 10. Ricky Ortiz defeated Johnny Gilden, 10 and Louis Quinones, 6.

ones, 6.
Johnny Cooke decisioned Johnny Kramer, 8.
Joe Williams decisioned Stefan Redl, 10.
Roberto Chetta won from Ramon Espinosa, 10.
Don Whitney defeated Tom Dennis, 8. Peter Schmidt kayoed Johnny Hill, 2.
Rogelio Andre won on a disqualification over Ricardo Falech, 3. Heitor Fernandez kayoed Jaconias Amorin, 3, and drew with Esteban Ozuna, 8.

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Memo Lopez won over Javellana Kid, 10. Stan Hayward decisioned Henry White, 8. Benny Briscoe kayoed Bradford Silas, 4.

Bobby Hurtt stopped Willie Laws, 7. Willie James defeated Rocky Randall, 8.

Art Hernandez stopped Ronnie Redelsperger, 4.
Sergio Rodriguez kayoed Chico Rodriguez 3.
Lenny Mangiapane beat Danny Garcia, 6.

Texas Hurtado and Fidencio Ramirez, drew, 10.
Al Andrews beat Benny McCovey, 6. Luis Pacheco stopped Negro Flores, 2.

Bob Fernandez kayoed Gary Chapman, 6. Raoul Sarrazin stopped Ed Woodward, 4. Joe Murchison defeated Davy Seabrooke, 6. Stormy Winters beat Harry Bellefonte, 6. Harry Bellefonte, 6.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Joe Brown kayoed Tony Noreiga, 6.
Vince Derardo defeated Rafiu King, 10.
Manuel Alvarez outpointed Jose Leyes, 10.
Louis Molina kayoed Chihauhua Kid, 2.
Yukio Katsumata kayoed Felix Coleman,

Gene Gresham stopped Chivo Diaz, 4, and beat Gildo Montoya, 10.
Gabriel (Flash) Elorde retained his Junior Lightweight title outpointing Johnny Bizzarro, 15.
Billy Braggs defeated Wayman Dawson, 10.
Tony Perez upset Jose Napoles, 10, and kayoed

Tony Perez upset Jose Napoles, 10, and kayoed Joe Arias, 4.
Joe Lopes kayoed Al Medrano, 1. Sandro Lopopolo outpointed J. D. Ellis, 10.
Mel Middleton defeated Neto Villarreal, 8. Neto also lost to Bobby Bell, 8. Fernand Chretien stopped Freddie Martinovich, 5.
Jose Napoles stopped Jorge Guteirrez, 7. Bert Somodio kayoed Adul Srisoltorn, 7.
Dick French defeated Owen (Rocky) Clark, 10.
Johnny Depeiza scored over Caesar Barrow, 10.
Henry Watson defeated Benito Juarez, 10.
Osamu Watanabe beat Jarrel Pate, 10, and Isorasak Puntainorasing, 10. Frank Narvaez defeated Marcos Morales, 8. Wesley Kidd stopped Neto Villarreal, 4.

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Manolo Mora stopped Carlos Celis, 2. Pedro Benelli stopped Carlos Aro, 7. Victorio Guzman stopped Chato Cadena, 5.
Carlos Cruz beat Roland Kellem, 8. Tony La-Barbra defeated Tony Tozzo, 6. Manuel Garcia defeated Vicente Ramirez, 10.
Rene Guajardo defeated Enrique Camarena, 10. Artie France whipped Ricky Palimieri, 6.
John Bryan stopped Alejandro Neri, 7. Valentin Brown halted Hugo Juarez, 7. Charley Robinson and Frank Souza, 8.
Miles Lane defeated Al Walker, 6. Billy Backus and Marcel Bizien, drew 8. Questa Walker scored over Willie Weathers, 8.
Jimmy Gorman whipped Baby Beau Jack, 8. Artie France beat Tony Carullo, 6. Tommy Garrison bested Lou Anderson, 6.
Willie Vaughn defeated Horace Davis, 6. Perfecto Garcia won over Tommy O'Connor, 8. Rudy

Garcia kayoed Andy Edwards, 3.
Willie Williams beat Richie Grassley, 6. Brian
O'Shea whipped Jimmy Morton, 6, then kayoed
him in 4. Earl Knowlton won over Gaby Mancini,

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Kazua Takayama kayoed Suphat Laemfapha, 2.
British champion Howard Winstone retained
his title stopping Johnny Morrisey, 11.
Don Johnson won over Danny Kid, 10.
Licho Guerrero stopped Boots Monroe, 7. Yuji
Masuko kayoed Masaki Fujita, 5.
Les Dunn kayoed Pasquale Curico, 15. Floyd
Robertson won from Kenny Field, 10.
Efren Jimenez scored over Fino Rosales, 10.
Michel Atlan decisioned Billy Davis, 10.
Jorge Ceja upset Chuy Pruenda, 10. Blackie
Zamora defeated Al Franklin, 8, and kayoed Mike
Hernandez, 3. Juan Salazar won over Miguel
Aguero, 10.
George Colton stopped Pablo Colon, 2.

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Fernanda Sotelo stopped Norberto Contreras, 6.
Paul Alba kayoed Marshall Black, 2.
Manny Sanchez kayoed Cachorro Herrera, 3.
Alberto Myers defeated Black Bill, 6. Cirilo Pausa kayoed Angel Bustos, 3.
Robert Meunier defeated Antoine Martin, 10.
Larry Flores stopped Ray Delgado, 3. Eddie Santos defeated Quan James, 6.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Ismael Laguna kayoed Bobby Gray, 9.
Joe Medel stopped Edmundo Esparza, 3.
Ronnie Jones stopped Piero Rollo, 7. Jorge
Salazar kayoed Chico Lopez, 4.
Ernesto Miranda whipped Luis Diaz, 10. Oscar
German kayoed Osito Galvan, 4, but lost to Zorrito Castanon, 10.
Humberto Barrera beat Cuervo Salinas, 10.
Risto Luukkonen kayoed Miguel Lopez, 8, and beat Jose Martinez, 10.
Katsuo Haga defeated Somsak Laemfapha, 10.
Goyo Sanchez halted Polo Navarro, 7.
Taeko Suzuki defeated Tanonsak Laemfapha, 10.
Alberto Martinez won from Memo Vega, 10.
Vicente Garcia beat Miguel Paredes, 10. Manny Barrios whipped Moi Tores, 10, Moi also lost to Zurdo Pina, 10.
Jesse Pimentel kayoed Maylco Robles, 6. Daniel Valdez decisioned Marcelino Diaz, 10. Ray Asis kayoed Pimi Amador, 2.
Johnny Mallon outpointed Eddie Barraclough, 8. Shorty Agundez kayoed Chamaco Hernandez, 3. Michel Lamora stopped Pierre Ike, 3. Sal Gomez stopped Paulino Mota, 2.

FLYWEIGHTS

Bernardo Caraballao decisioned Mimun Ben

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Hiroyuki Ebihara decisioned Vic Campos, 10.
Killer Solomon decisioned Julio Vana, 10. Antonio Paniagua defeated Jamie Perez, 10.
Natalio Jimenez defeated Mauro Miranda, 10.
Lachi Linares defeated Luis Ernesto, 10.
Takeshi Nakamura defeated Akio Maki, 10.
Rene Libeer defeated Raton Osuna, 10.
Walter McGowan bested Bernard Jubert, 8.
Ray Jutras decisioned Carlos Zayas, 10.
Chaparro DeLeon defeated Chuy Rocha, 10.
Rudy Billones stopped Bert Limin, 5.

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NEW FACE FOR LIGHT-HEAVIES

ASIDE from Champion Harold Johnson and his two leading challengers, Mauro Mina of Peru and Giulio Rinaldi of Italy, there isn't much to arouse undue enthusiasm in the light-heavyweight division these days and nights.

A class that in the past knew such distinguished performers as Kid McCoy, Jack Root, Bob Fitzsimmons, Philadelphia Jack O'Brien, Jack Dillon, Georges Carpentier, Paul Berlenbach, Jack Delaney, Tommy Loughran and Billy Conn has been in a rather comatose condition since the exodus of Ol' Archie Moore. "Exciting" fighters, as the trade calls 'em, have been exceedingly scarce in the 175-pound ranks of late.

From what he displayed in his first appearance in Madison Square Garden—in fact, his first appearance anywhere outside his adopted home state of California—it looks as though Irish Wayne Thornton of Fresno and Bakersfield may be what the division needs to toss some youth and animation into its semi-stagnant activities.

For his Big Time debut, Thornton was pitted against clever, ringwise Willie Pastrano. The speculative gentry, not knowing much about the unrated Californian, couldn't figure him beating the cagey New Orleans veteran, who now operates out of Miami Beach. Pastrano was tabbed a 3 to 1 choice with few, if any, Thornton takers.

For two rounds it looked as though the price was too short. Pastrano looked to be a 10 to 1 shoo-in. He outclassed Thornton and gave him a neat lesson in boxing technique.

It may have been that Wayne was awed by his first appearance in the Garden and on national TV and pitted against his first "name" opponent. Whatever was responsible, the 23-year-old newcomer shook it off in the third round and settled down to serious business.

From then on he swarmed all over Pastrano, banging away lustily with both hands to the head and body. He was particularly effective with his punches to the midsection. With all his ringcraft, Pastrano couldn't hold off his busy opponent. Thornton jolted Pastrano in the sixth and again in the seventh, and Willie was so weary in the closing rounds he couldn't even tie up the youngster in close quarters. The decision in Thornton's favor was unanimous with the officials.

It's difficult to pass judgment on a fighter off one showing, but Thornton, although crude in some respects, displayed enough all-around assets to qualify as a likely title contender ere another year travels its allotted course. The light-heavy-weight division can certainly use him.

AROUND THE RING

A dispatch from Australia, reporting the disqualification of a boxer for biting an opponent, prompts Chick Wergeles to observe: "Now I know what they mean by a 'hungry' fighter!"

No industry in this wide, restless world is subjected to more and noisier abuse than the fight business. Yet, aside from the theatrical profession, no trade is quicker to respond to a call for help. Typical of the many incidents we could cite was Bobo Olson's recent appearance in a main event in Eugene, Oregon. Had Olson been working on a percentage of the receipts, he would have picked up about \$3,000 for himself. But this was a benefit for a crippled kiddies' fund—and all Bobo accepted for his end was *one dollar!*

Although he and his partner, Phil Adron, have been doing well for themselves with their Adron Theatre Ticket Agency in the Abbey Hotel here, Billy Brown is still yearning to get back into the fight business. If he cannot hook up with a matchmaker's job, he may try his luck as a manager.

Tim Droney, who died recently at the age of 72 in his native Lancaster, Pa., was about as rugged a lightweight as the division knew during the flourishing era of the 1910s and '20s. During his busy career, which must have embraced some 200 bouts, Tim didn't miss many of the topliners. Included among his outings were one with Benny Leonard, three with Lew Tendler and four with Pete Latzo.

Another prominent operative of the 1910s and '20s who had the final count droned over him recently was Jake Abel of Atlanta. Jake was 70 when he died. Competing as a lightweight and a welterweight, Abel did most of his fighting in and around his native Georgia. He was particularly popular in his home town, where he stepped along with the likes of Benny Leonard, Ted (Kid) Lewis and Jack Britton.

THE CUSTOMERS ALWAYS WRITE

Buddy Ey, boxing instructor of the Baltimore Police Department and a keen follower of things fistic, drops us this interesting epistle:

"I can appreciate what a difficult task The Ring staff must have with its annual Record Book. As you've often said, oldtime records weren't always kept too meticulously, and were often loaded with errors of commission and omission.

"I've been doing considerable research into the records of some of Baltimore's great fighters of the past. Wading through the files of the Baltimore Sunpapers recently, I came upon some items that should be of interest to you. They concerned the early rivalry of Kid Williams and George (K.O.) Chaney.

"The record books have them meeting once, in a 20-round draw on June 26, 1911. Actually, they met twice that year, and Chaney was the winner both times. The first fight was on January 2, promoted by the Armory Athletic Club at Maennerchor Hall. Chaney knocked out Williams in the 6th round. The referee was Emanuel Daniels. They were rematched July 10 before the Eureka Club at Ford's Opera House. This time the bout went twenty rounds and Chaney eked out the decision. Charley White refereed. Incidentally, for this latter bout Chaney received \$350 and the Kid \$150. I wonder what today's TV darlings would think of those purses.

"Old-time boxing historians sometimes confused Williams' record. The Kid had a brother fighting at the same time and at the same weight. He called himself 'Young Kid Williams.'

Chaney also stopped him."

NEW YORK'S RESULTS OF THE MONTH:

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Something must have gone amiss with the vaunted "power of the press." With the publicity stifled by the strike against the city's major newspapers, business was getting better than usual at Sunnyside Garden. For the second Tuesday night in succession, a "secret" fight card in the cozy little Long Island City arena attracted more than \$3,009.76, contributed by 1,604 customers. Promoter Irving Cohen's explanation: "The fans realize we've been offering good fights, with plenty of action, and they're beginning to make Sunnyside their regular Tuesday night rendezvous."

A pair of co-featured eights topped the card. One was an all-Puerto Rican affair, in which steadily-improving Frank Narvaez, 135, stretched his won-lost-draw record to 13-1-1 by hustling his way to a decision over Marcos Morales, 133. The other half of the double wind-up paired a couple of Long Island rivals, with heavier, stronger Lew Moses, 185, Jamaica, winning from Dave Russell, 172½, Uniondale.

A scheduled six ended at 0:39 of the second, Curtis Bruce, 171, Newark, N.J., stopping Paul Johnson, 176½, West Side.

In a pair of fours, Ebelardo Munoz, 148, Puerto Rico, had the better of George Ladagna, 147, Corona, L.I., and the veteran George (Baby Beau Jack), 130, St. Albans, L.I., halted Luis Vidot, 125½, Puerto Rico, at 2:57 of the second.

With Lenny of the popular Mangiapane twins pitted against the only opponent to boast a decision over the Coronans, Sunnyside Garden continued its encouraging Tuesday night schedule with 1,871 clients leaving a gross of \$3,689.44 at

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Lenny, 151, more than squared accounts for the disputed decision he had lost to Danny Garcia, 151, Dominican Republic, in a four-round preliminary at St. Nicholas Arena nine months before. The "revenge" bout, slated for six rounds, ended at 2:36 of the third. Mangiapane dropped Garcia in the first, again in the third, and when the wobbly Dominican fell down later in the third without being hit, Referee Barney Smith called a halt.

The win gave the Mangiapane brothers a com-

The win gave the Mangiapane brothers a combined record of nineteen wins in twenty starts. Jimmy Dupree, 1723/4, outfought an East Side rival, Henry Palmer, 176, in the semi-final six. In another six, Felix Santiago, 157½, Puerto Rico, edged out a majority decision over Sigmund Wortherly, 162½, Harlem.

In fours, Guilermo Talavera, 146, Puerto Rico, decisioned Freddie Walker, 141, Jamaica, L.I.; Ray Lacen, 165½, Puerto Rico, won from Nat Thompson, 160, Jamaica, and Clyde Taylor, 162, Harlem, outfought Jimmy McMillan, 163, Bronx.

Aggressiveness—even when ineffective—apparently is the most important factor in determining decisions in New York these nights. A fighter can toss ten punches, miss nine of them, and get credit for all ten.

This was the conclusion a neutral observer reached after hearing two of the officials' verdicts giving Ruben (Hurricane) Carter, 156½, Paterson, N.J., a lop-sided win over Gomeo Brennan, 157½, Bimini, in a TV ten in Madison Square Garden. Carter deserved the decision, but not by such a wide margin.

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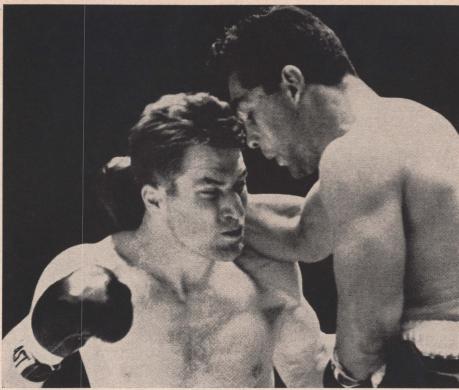
Referee Teddy Martin had the count 9-1 while Judge Bill Recht tabbed it 8-1-1. The other judge, Frank Forbes was nearer to the actual score when he voted 7-3. The Ring had it 6-4.

Free-swinging Carter scored well at times when he was able to catch his elusive opponent, but he missed enough punches to have blown down the Empire State Building. Brennan, with clever boxing and countering left jabs, often made the Patersonian look like a crude amateur. For the most part, however, Gomeo was too defensive-minded. Had he displayed more initiative, there is no saying what the result would have been. In one of his rare offensive flurries, the Bahaman had Carter in trouble in the ninth. Five straight rights bounced off Rubin's chin and sent him, rubber-legged, back to the ropes. Fortunately for the "Hurricane", Brennan failed to follow up his momentary advantage.

Repeating a previous win at Sunnyside Garden, Teddy Pagan, 160¾, fast-rising Puerto Rican, outfought Tony Fortunato, 160¾, Bronx, in the semi-final eight. Ricky Ortiz, 141½, Puerto Rico, scored two knockdowns in beating a fellowislander, Luis Quinones, 141¾, in six. George Williams, 1371¼, Bronx, won from Clarence Kidd, 140¾, Harlem, in the opening four.

Despite miserable rainy weather, the card drew an estimated turnout of 3,500 and gross receipts of about \$6,200. Probably a third of the crowd were Carter supporters and their noisy cheering every time Rubin unleashed a punch—whether it landed or not, and often didn't—may have had some influence on the officials' scoring.

With no Mangiapane on the card, and the main with no Mangiapane on the card, and the main event messed up by a short-notice substitution, business fell off slightly at Sunnyside Garden and for the first time in five shows since the year 1963 was ushered in, the box-office reported less than \$3,000 in gross receipts. The official count



Unrated and unknown outside California, light-heavyweight Wayne Thornton (left) made impressive debut on boxing's Big Time by slam-banging his way to a unanimous decision over clever, ringwise Willie Pastrano in a nationally-televised ten-rounder in Madison Square Garden.

was \$2,686.90, paid by 1,158.
Originally Tommy Tibbs, popular Boston lightweight veteran, was to have met Carlos Cruz, 134½, Dominican Republic, but when Tibbs reported ill and unavailable, Roland Kellem, 132½, Brooklyn, filled in for him.
Cruz had a bit too much of everything for the replacement and was a unanimous winner in a hard-fought but unspectacular eight.
In a pair of sixes, Lucius Benson, 160¾, Corona, L.I., outpointed Carl Miner, 163½, Brooklyn, and Frankie Olivera, 161, Bronx, divided the verdict with Felix Santiago, 157¾, Puerto Rico. In fours, Bobo Reckley, 164½, Bahamas, had the better of Clyde Taylor, 160½, Bronx; Ricky Nelson, 133¼, Bronx, was a split decision winner over Barney Barnez, 134, Puerto Rico, and Sigfredo Garcia, 161¾, West Side, outpunched Tommy Settles, 160¾, Jamaica, L.I.
With a 6½-pound pull in the weights, aggres-

With a 6½-pound pull in the weights, aggressive, busy-punching Vicente Derado, 133½, Argentina, was too strong for Joe (Rafiu) King, 127, Nigeria, in the ten-round semi-final to the Wayne Thornton-Willie Pastrano affair in Madison Square

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it was Derado's third win in a Garden semifinal—he had previously outfought C. L. Lewis and Tommy Tibbs—and it earned him a main event and a TV payday. Efforts were being made to match him with Kenny Lane in the Garden. King, highly-rated featherweight title contender, was showing for the first time in an American ring, but it had been 10½ months since his last fight in Europe, and the layoff, coupled with Derado's advantages in weight and strength, were a bit too much for him. Although beaten, the sleek Nigerian showed himself to be a fast, clever boxer, with a fine left hand.

Despite the handicaps, King may have fared better against Derado had it not been for a dozen or more low punches the Argentino landed during

better against Derado had it not been for a dozen or more low punches the Argentino landed during the bout, and for which he drew no warnings from Referee Buddy Basilico. With the "protectors" now in use, there may be such a thing as a "no-foul" rule in New York, but a series of low punches are bound to have some effect on the victim. King unquestionably was weakened by the frequent out-of-bounds jolts.

Tony Labarbara, 129, Buffalo, outpointed Tony Tozzo, 131, Bronx, in six; Joey Lugo, 166, Brooklyn, decisioned Morteza Marhmaltchi, 163½, Iran, in four, and Johnny Persol, 166, Brooklyn, stopped Bobo Reckley, 164½, Bahamas, in the second. Attendance was estimated at 2,600 and gross receipts at \$5,300.

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With Joey of the popular Corona Mangiapanes topping the card, not even a raw, rainy night could keep the clients away from Sunnyside Garden, and for the fifth time in its first six shows of 1963 the little Long Island City arena reported

better than \$3,000 in box-office business. The official count was \$3,354, contributed by 1,680

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With an edge of 7½ pounds, Mangiapane, 146½, was too strong for gritty Tommy O'Connor, 139, Pittsburgh, and was credited with every round of the six on the scorecards of the three officials. The verdict brought unbeaten Mangiapane's winning skein to nine.

Tommy Garrison, 138½, Harlem, outfought Lou Anderson, 139½, Valley Stream, L.I., in the semi-final six. Another scheduled six was abbreviated when Curtis Bruce, 170, Newark, N.J., stopped Alan Hudson, 176, Glen Cove, at 1:43 of the third. In a pair of fours, Ebelardo Nunoz, 148, Puerto Rico, was a split decision winner over Larnzer Quarles, 150½, Jamaica, L.I., and Vinnie Martinez, 163¼, East Side, outpointed Jimmy McMillan, 161, Bronx.

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Victim of a number of raw decisions in the past, "Sugar Ray" Robinson apparently had Lady Luck on his side when the faded 43-year-old ex-champ-ion was awarded an unpoular 10-round split-de-cision over Ralph Dupas of New Orleans in Miami

ion was awarded an unpoular 10-round split-decision over Ralph Dupas of New Orleans in Miami Beach Convention Hall.

When the decision was rendered, the crowd booed lustily for Dupas had applied constant pressure to the six-time champion.

Referee Billy Reagan scored the bout for Robinson, 98-96, using the 10-point must system. Judge Barry Pearlman had Robby out in front, 97-94, but judge Jim Ruby scored it 98-94 for Dupas. Both wire services, the Associated Press and United Press International tabbed Dupas the winner. Jack Hand, veteran New York AP boxing scribe, saw Dupas the winner, 98 to 94.

"It's disgusting. It makes you want to retire," said Dupas. "I clearly won and didn't get the decision. What must you do to win."

Two weeks before the Ray Robinson fight, Ralph Dupas battered Rocky Randell for a sixth round knockout at the Westside Sports Center, Harvey, La. A left hook to the ribs proved the undoing of Randell after 1:59 of the sixth. After the Dupas blow, Randell grimaced as if in pain, turned his back on Ralph while clutching his midsection and draped himself over the ropes. Referee Lucien Jaubert stepped in immediately and raised Dupas' hand in victory. There were no knockdowns.

The turnout for the Vince Arnone promotion knockdowns.

The turnout for the Vince Arnone promotion was 767 fans with a gate of \$1569. Dupas won every round on the cards of Referee Jaubert and Judge Maxie Docusen. Judge Augie Lapara called the first round even and awarded the others to

Ralph weighed 148, Randell of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. 14734.

The prelims stole the thunder from the main

event.

Moose Kenny, 178, and Jimmy Dodd, 174 of Little Rock, waged a terrific four rounder with Kenny winning a splitter. Dodd was a last-minute sub for Buddy Russo of Thidobaux who failed to show. Russo has been suspended by the Louisiana State Athletic Commission for failing to ap-

ana State Athletic Commission for failing to appear.
Lester Peno, 147, and Leonard Breaux, 145, of Welsh, La., battled to a standstill in another four. Peno was making his professional debut.
Terry Molina, 130, the fighting soldier, scored a third round kayo over Mike Breen, 127, of Houma, La., in the four round semi. Molina dropped Breen for an eight count in the second.
Al Clay, 134, won a split four round decision over Speedy Welch, 130, in the opening prelim. Proceedings of the Willie Pep, operator of the Willie Pep Lounge on Canal Street, recently. And it wasn't long before the crowd gathered around to discuss fight talk.
Asked about the return Liston-Patterson title fight, Rocky went to say it was probably the logical match.
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Ingit, Rocky Went to Say it was probably the logical match.

"Patterson isn't that bad and Liston probably isn't that good. I'm inclined to throw out their first fight. However, I don't expect Floyd to ever whip Liston, but he should give the champion amuch better fight of it this time."

Asked how he would fight Liston, the former champion said: "I'd fight him the only way I know how—coming in. Liston has a left hook second to none. Punching at his level it's an awesome weapon. But I noticed in most of Liston's fights, he doesn't punch down too well.

"I'd just try and stay under his hook. Some fighters try to bully their opponents. They scowl at them and just look mean."

As for Cassius Clay, the Rock said Clay may one day become a great fighter, but that's three or four years away.

Local boxing fans were saddened by the deaths of Mrs. Ernest "Whitey" Esneault and "Senator" Joe Bradley in January.

Bradley managed many fighters several dec-

Bradley managed many fighters several decades ago, among them Young Pal Moore of Memphis and Dudley Stadler, local featherweight who was a prime favorite with New Orleans boxing

fans.

PUNCHING THE BAG:—Freddie Little, who was going like a house-afire and looked like a fine ring prospect a couple of years ago, is now teaching in Chicago, but sends word to Manager Whitey Esneault that he would like to resume boxing in New Orleans if a suitable opponent can be secured for him . . Whitey, incidentally, has turned Terry Molina, rugged GI, into the pro field. He's a lightweight .

Vincent Arone is keeping the fight game alive around these parts with shows at the Westside Sports Center in Harvey . . His latest was the Ralph Dupas-Rocky Randell encounter which Ralph won with a kayo in the sixth round. Prior to his meeting with Ralph, the rugged Randell was unbeaten in fights here, having scored some eight victories, including two over Ralph's brother,

eight victories, including two over Ralph's brother Tony . . .

MARYLAND'S MERRY MAULERS By Joe Poodles, Sr.



Al Flora of the Charles Center Boxing club must be the greatest boxing promoter who ever hit Baltimore, for with two just so-so attractions, his club drew more than \$30,000. In November of last year, the Joey Giardello-Johnny Morris opened the brand new Civic Center in Baltimore with 5,070 fans, paying a gross gate of \$15,417, while Gaspar Ortega of Mexicali, Mexico, won a close, unanimous ten round decision over Charley Scott of Philadelphia in a spirited fight that had the fans cheering both at the finish. 5,491 attended with a gross gate of \$15,461.

The surprise turnout for the Scott-Ortega was all the more startling as the Giardello-Morris was a disapointment to the fans who had booed both of the contestants throughout the entire bout for lack of action. Promoter Flora wants to rematch these battling welterweights.

The supporting card for the Scott-Ortega show was one that will help the sport in Baltimore. Baltimore's Bobby Hurtt stopped Willie Laws of Valley Stream N.Y. in the seventh round of a ten. Hurtt repeated a win over Laws scored last November in a real brawl, Laws failed to come to scratch in the seventh after being dropped as the bell ended the sixth. Hurtt weighed 147% and Laws 14614.

Ricky Ortiz, 145, of New York City whipped Baltimore's Johnny Gilden 14734, in ten rounds by a split decision.

Joe Cortez, 123, of New York City whipped Bobby Harmon of Baltimore in the opening four rounder. Harmon weighed the same. Al Flora of the Charles Center Boxing club must

IN AND AROUND PHILADELPHIA By Archie Pirolli

Al Lewis, one of Philly's top promoters, held his first boxing show of 1963 at the Cambria Club (America's oldest boxing club). Due to the lack of boxing talent, promoter Lewis intends to stage small shows with the hope of developing talent for the future at the Arena and Convention Hall. With the exception of Harold Johnson and Joey Giardello, Philadelphia lacks talent for major shows

In Lewis' windup at the Cambria, Earl Battles,

In Lewis' windup at the Cambria, Earl Battles, 160, won on a split decision over local rival Joe (Sugar Baby) Smith, 156, in eight rounds.

Battles' victory won his ninth in 12 pro starts. Smith, a winner four times in the past, went down for his third loss. Each has fought one draw.

A crowd of 545 paid \$1,425 gross to attend the reopening of Kensington's ancient "blood pit" for the 49th consecutive year.

Sam Samuels, 162 pounds, came back to earn a draw with Phil Allen, 160, in the opening four-rounder after being floored in the second. Allen was a last minute substitute. Both are Philadelphians.

Leroy Roberts, 160, Phila., had Larry Barrett, 162, of Baltimore, on the floor once in the first and twice in the second, then took a beating in the last two. The knockdowns won him the deci-

sion.

Benny Briscoe, 153, Phila., KOd Charles Little, 155, Baltimore in the first round. Briscoe a 1962 national amateur champion, is now 3-0 as a pro. Jerry (Blockbuster) Fabrizio, 123, Phila., TKOd Johnny Ravin, 126, Phila., in the second round

b BLUE HORIZON ARENA—Jimmy Hairston finally made it unanimous in his win over rival Cash White, 158, Atlantic City, in the eight round wind-

up. This was the third meeting between these promising youngsters. Hairston won the first two battles. Hairston, whose 13 bout record is unarred mainly because of an undeserved verdict over White in the same ring last month, was in good condition and in much sharper form. White also displayed good form. The spirited battle should have drawn a much larger crowd of 445 paying fans, much less than the last time, and a gross of \$1,050.

The supporting card provided some good bouts on Marty Kramer's show, mainly in the opening four-round draw between Joe Williams, 140, Phila., and Eric Sorell, 138, Atlantic City.

Billy Hill, 149, Baltimore, decisioned Artie Hill, 150, Phila., in another four; Frank DeVuono, 163, Phila., stopped Sammy Baker, 162, Chester, Pa., in the second round, and Bud Anderson, 132, Phila., drew with Jerry Brewer, of Baltimore, in the six-round semi-windup.

Joe (Pep) Barone, former manager of Sonny Liston, was elected president of the Lehigh Valley Oldtimers' Boxing Association with headquarters in Allentown, Pa. He succeeds the late Joe McCarron, who was president for eight years. The Oldtimers decided to sponsor only one big amateur show next summer instead of a series of fights it did last year.

Our hats off to Philly promoter Al Lewis who is currently staging boxing shows at the Cambria Club. In the hope of developing future stars, Lewis plays up to the young potential talent. Unfortunately the financial problem plays an important part in the promotions.

There are any number of fighters that would be pleased to show at the Cambria Club but the transportation problem is an additional expense which must be taken in consideration.

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BOXING IN NORTH CAROLINA By Edward Neil III

WINSTON, SALEM, N.C.—Prospects for renewed activity in professional boxing in Winston-Salem brightened when a new group was formed to pro-

mote bouts.

The promoters of two outdoor bouts in this city of 120,000 lost money on both shows and did not plan to stage another.

Primary factors in the losses were competition with stock-car races and high-school football, plus the lack of a suitable ring.

The new promoting group, led by Herman Bond, plans to stage an indoor card featuring local fighters.

fighters.

The main events probably will be a rematch between Leon (Popcorn) Sutton of Winston-Salem and Ricky Alvarez of Charlotte, N.C., and a heavyweight bout between Freddy Joe Young of Detroit and Kid Boston of Winston-Salem.

Alvarez and Sutton fought a spirited 10-round draw in a makeshift ring as the feature of the final outdoor card here. The middleweight bout was roundly applauded by the slim crowd of 160 persons at Ernie Shore Field.

Boston won on a technical knockout when

Boston won on a technical knockout when Louis Staten of Charlotte was unable to continue because of a deep gash over his right eye. The cut was suffered when the two bumped

neads.
Young, a friend of Bond, has been seeking a bout here. He challenged Jimmy Bell of Baltimore, Md., to defend Bell's North Carolina Heavyweight Championship here. However, the bout

was not arranged.

The promoters now are negotiating for a site for the bouts. No date has been set, nor are any fighters under contract.

AROUND THE TRI-STATES By Johnny Bizzarro

Cassius Clay called the shot, "He must fall in three" and fall in three Charley Powell did in his Pittsburgh bout.

For two rounds it was a good fight. Clay was in command but he ran into a good left hook to the body that stopped him in his tracks and Powell also landed a powerful right hand to the chin that made the "Louisville Lip" grab and chin tha

Clay's speed of hand proved to be far too much or the hard hitting Powell, who found himself no match for Cassius in the third round when Clay opened the round with blinding speed and battered Powell to the canvas. Charley's left eye was gushing blood and the claret was also coming from his mouth.

ing from his mouth.
A real good lightweight is Fernand (The Bull)
Chretien of Toronto. The Bull and Freddie Martinovich fought the fight of the night. A bad cut
over the right eye resulted in Chretien winning
in the fifth round.

Orrie Paschal had little trouble stopping Andy
Holt of Detroit in the first round.

Another six found Buddy Moore stopping sub
Mert Brownfield in the third round.

The opening four found up-and-coming Rex
Agin making it three in a row by stopping game
Rudy Richardson in the fourth round. Agin is
another excellent prospect, These boys are lightweights.

Archie Litman, promoted the show for the Dap-r Dan and Don Elbaum handled the matchmaking.

This writer will see you next month. I am now my way to Manila for my title fight with Flash

NEW JERSEY BOXING NEWS By Lew Eskin

After time out for the holiday season, boxing resumed in New Jersey with the annual Golden Glove tournament in Elizabeth and with pro boxing shows in Paterson and Union City.

Montclair's Joe Williams, one of the brightest prospects to come out of the Garden State proved that he was the master of veteran Stefan Redl of Passaic as he pounded out a one-sided tenround triumph at the Plaza Ballroom in Paterson.

In a previous meeting a cut eye gave Joe a win in the first round and Steve screamed that he was robbed. This time there could be no doubt as Joe was in command from the start and easily earning Referee Joey Harrison's nod.

The semi-final stole the show as Marcel Bizien, 139, Jersey City and southpaw Billy Backus, 136½, Canastota, N.Y., slammed away at each other for the full eight rounds with everybody agreeing with referee Mickey Greb's draw verdict.

In fours, Angel Rivera, 125½, kayoed his fellow "Silk City" fighter, Tommy Fulco, 125, in the second and in a "Donnybrook" Bobby Gilmore, 131, Paterson, climbed another rung on the comeback ladder by coming off the deck to stop Brandy Hernandez, 132. Miami, Fla., in the third. A four-round exhibition between Curtis Primus, 170, and Joe Santana, 162, both of Paterson opened promoter Lou Duva's first show of the new year before a packed house.

A packed house greeted the return of boxing to Union City's State Garden and the fans were rewarded with an action packed card.

In the main event, undefeated Jersey Cityite Frank DePaula, 171, scored two seventh round knockdowns as he won a lop-sided verdict over Marty Pettiford, 174, Rahway. Referee Paul Cavalier scored it 7-0-1 for the local idol who brought most of the crowd.

A four round war between Domingo Ortiz, 150, Hoboken and Jimmy Piscane, 156, Paterson stole the show. They battled out all the way and the draw decision was well received.

In other bouts, Willie Jackson, 187, Elizabeth edged out Julie Reynolds, 216, New York to win referee Allie Todisco's verdict and Wally Henderson, 159, Jersey City won ove

OHIO BOXING NOTES By Eddie Schauer

1100 fans spun the turnstiles at the Canton Memorial Auditorium when promoters Oscar Kortowich and George Milnes presented their second fistic offering in that city. The main event was a disappointment as hefty-punching light heavyweight Alex Ford met only a token resistence from Detroiter Oscar Burton, who faded rapidly during the first round and was belted out of the ring for the count in 1:34 of the second. Ford scaled 176 to Burton's 172.

An eight round battle between Clarence "Jet" Alford, 162, and Bobby Warthem, 158, of Buffalo, N.Y. was well received as both boys staged a very good and closely contested battle. Alford was awarded the nod but both boys received an ova-

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awarded the nod but both boys received all ovation.

Neto Villerreal, 134½, and Wesley Kidd, 134,
beat up a real storm in an action-packed bout
that ended in the fourth round when a clash of
noggins produced a streaming cut over the Mexican's right eye. The first round between these
gamesters brought the fans out of their seats.
Both waded into the fray intent on an early knockout with Kidd picking up an edge with smashing
counter blows. Late in the round Villerreal connected with a hard left hook that decked Kidd
for eight. Upon rising, he was met by a hurricane of punches from the eager Neto, who sensing
victory, pitched a real barrage from all angles.
Another visit to the canvas found Kidd badly
shaked but the end of the round saved him from
an early finis. an early finis.

The well-conditioned Port Huron lightweight

recovered between the first and the second and at the bell came out in fine form . . . The rest of the battle was close until the unfortunate cut stopped the affair. This bout is a natural rematch

for Canton.

In another scheduled six rounder, Marion Conners, rapidly rising 175 pounder from Canton, scored his third KO in four pro bouts as he blasted Al Williams, 187, into the "land of nod" in 1:40 of the second round.

In the opener, Moose Downing, 177, won on a KO over Archie Steeles, 170, of Toronto. The Cantonite had a bit too much ring moxie for the willing but light punching Canadian, who had won all five of his previous bouts.

With the encouraging rise in attendence, Kortowich and Milnex plan to continue shows in Can

ton. Yours truly, who handles the matchmaking in this area, and the boxing fans in general owe a vote of thanks to these two gentlemen for what they are doing for the sport in the Buckeye State. We braved the elements to trot over to Pittsburg on January 24. With the weather outside about 18° below, Cassius Clay proved too hot for Charley Powell. Loose-lipped Cassius certainly can flock the fans in and it was a sight for sore eyes to see the 11,238 fans that collected to watch the slaughter. slaughter.

slaughter.

• Golden Glove tournaments are holding the limelight hereabouts right now . . . Prolonged newspaper strike in Cleveland is still stalling the plans of Oscar Kortowich to stage his third show in that city.

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BOXING IN JAPAN By Dale D. Dean



Hirouyki Ebihara, high ranking Japanese flyweight who is hot on the trail of a Orient title match.

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ORIENT FEATHERWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP

Mitsunori Seki retained his Orient crown in a scheduled return match with Veeranid Charermuang of Thailand by a KO in 2:13 of the 4th round at the Korakuen Stadium.

At the beginning of the 4th, Seki scored a nocount knockdown, following up with a powerful right uppercut and a left hook to the jaw for a 9 count down. The final down came moments later with a solid combination to the face.

Katsutoshi Aoki, popular bantam, kayoed Vic Campo of the Philippines in the 5th of a scheduled 10 at Korakuen. Aoki used his solid body blows to down the visitor.

Kazuo Takayama, Japan feather king, took a TKO win over Suphat Laemfapha of Thailand in 2, 52 of the 2nd of a 10 rounder.

Takao Maemizo, Japan middle and Moses Cooper of the U.S. met in an action-packed battle, ending in a decision for Maemizo.

Masao Gondo, top ranking middle, won a TKO over welterweight Calvin Brown of Idaho in one minute of the 3rd at Osaka. Brown was down for a 5 count in the second from a solid right straight to the jaw. Brown went down twice in the third or a 5 and 8 counts, before the referee declared a TKO.

Roberto Luna, second ranked bantam of Mexico, took a unanimous nod over Orient junior

for a 5 and 8 counts, before the referee declared a TKO.

Roberto Luna, second ranked bantam of Mexico, took a unanimous nod over Orient junior feather champ, Haruo Sakamoto at Korakuen. This made Luna's record read two wins and two losses since his arrival in Japan.

Yuji Masuko, first ranking feather and Masaki Fujita met for a 10 which was stopped in the 5th. A TKO for Masuko.

Osamu Watanabe, first ranking lightweight, decisioned Jarrel Cobra Pate of the U.S. forces Far East, in a 10 at Nagoya.

Makoto Watanabe, welter champ, won a decision from 8th ranking welter Junya Kosaka, in a 10 at Kobe.

Katsuo Haga, second ranked bantam, scored a one-sided win over Somsak Laemfapha, Thailand visitor, in a televised 10 at Hiroshima. Somsak was on the canvas twice.

Yoshinori Takahashi, flashy welterweight, took a TKO from California welter Earl Bastings. Bastings suffered a cut over the left eye and failed to come out for the 5th.

Hachiro Ito, welter and U.S. visitor John Torres, fought a 10 rounder to a draw.

Takeo Suzuki, currently 5th ranked bantam, took a lop-sided duel over Thailand's 8th ranked bantam, Tanonsak Laemfapha in a 10 at Korakuen.

Takeshi Nakamura, up and coming fly, took

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Takeshi Nakamura, up and coming fly, took a one-sided win over Akio Maki, also a leading flyweight in Japan.

Yukio Katsumata, tough-punching Orient junior lightweight champ, kayoed Felix Coleman of Camp Fuchu in 2 minutes 12 seconds of the second round of a scheduled 10. The visitor had the advantage of height and reach but fell victim to Katsumata's powerful body and head blows.



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WELTER	MAKOTO WATANABE
MIDDLE	NOBORU SAITO

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IN LATIN AMERICA

MINA AGAIN DEFEATS COTTON

RIGHT FROM MEXICO CITY **By Selsso Tiborro**

The local 1963 boxing season started on January 9. Since that date, Mexico City fans have had the chance to attend regular Wednesday and Saturday shows, enjoying good fights now and then. All results were as follows:

Victorio Guzman, 135, stopped Chato Cadena, 134, in 5. Raul Rodriguez, 138, stopped Nicolas Ruiz, 134, in 2. Ramiro Garcia, 112, decisioned Xoxo Morales, 112, in 6. Lalo Moreno, 134, decisioned Juan Salcedo, 136, in 6. Filiberto Rios, 111, stopped Armando Maldonado, 112, in 3.

Vicente Garcia, 118, decisioned Miguel Paredes, 118, in 10. Manuel Garcia, 132, decisioned Vicente "Pichon" Ramirez, 134, in 10. Rogelio Mendoza, 107, defeated Juan Molina 112, by disqualification in 3. Gustavo Martinez, 117, stopped Jorge Aguilar, 120, in 2. Juan Tenorio, 136, stopped Ruben Davila, 134, in 3.

Alberto Martinez, 118, decisioned Memo Vega, 118, in 10. Luis Pacheco, 143, stopped Jose "Negro" Flores, 147, in 2. Angel Delgado, 119, decisioned Tomas Monroy, 119, in 6. Tele Gonzales, 119, stopped Daniel Garcia, 120, in 2. Juan Gostieta, 115, decisioned Florentino Arriaga, 112, 4.

Efren Jimenez, 125, decisioned Fino Rosales.

4. b Efren Jimenez, 125, decisioned Fino Rosales, 125, in 10. Fernando Sotelo, 126, stopped Nor-berto Contreras, 125, in 6. Merced Soria, 125, de-cisioned Mario Estrella, 126, in 6. Ruben Ruiz, 112, stopped Julio Ramos, 111, in 1. Crescencio Mendez, 118, stopped Juan Catarino Lopez, 118, in 3.

in 3.

Goyo Sanchez, 18, stopped Polo Navarro, 120, in 7. Hipolito Hernandez, 125, stopped Jose Barrera, 126, in 7. Ruben Vallejo, 122, decisioned Eduardo Torres, 119, in 6. Alfedo Meneses, 120, decisioned Alfonso Lugo, 118, in 6. Raul Martinez, 112, defeated Manuel Ramirez, 116 by disqualification, in 2.

Cuban Manolo Mora, 133, needed only two rounds to stop Marinero Celis, 135, in a rematch, Celis having won the first fight. Daniel Valdez, 119, decisioned Marceliano Diaz, 119, in 10. Pepe Silva, 128, stopped Tono Carrillo, 127, in 5. Emiliano Olvera, 118, decisioned Hector Vazquez, 121, in 4.

121, in 4.
Antonio Paniagua, 116, decisioned Jaime Perez, 115, in 10. Jacinto Lira, 134, won decision over Jose Valenzuela, 135, in 5, by disqualification. Angel Delgado, 126, decisioned Beni Gomez, 125, in 6. Ismael Delgadillo, 134, decisioned Rodrigo Hernandez, 135, in 6. Crescencio Mendez, 118, stopped Ramon Hernandez, 118, in 2.

SLUGGERS FROM SURINAM By S. W. Deerveld

Kid Belfor, 151, from New York (but born in Surinam), visited his native country and won on disqualification from Ivlaw Stephenson, 144, of British Guiana in the 5th round of a scheduled

Belfor set a torrid pace during the 5 rounds and found Stephenson, 144, a willing mixer.
The semi-final, scheduled for ten rounds between Hubbard, 143, Surinam, and Kid Jack, 136, of British Guiana, ended in a TKO for the boy from Surinam.

from Surinam.

From the opening bell Hubbard battered Kid Jack at will and had him down for counts of 8 and 7, before Kid Jack's seconds refused to send their man out for the fifth round.

The opening contest between amateurs Armando and Sugar Boy Marco ended in a draw, over three rounds.

three rounds.

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BOXING IN ARGENTINA By Simon Bronenberg and Alfred Porzio

SAN LUIS—Ex Argentine and South American bantam champion Ernesto Miranda whipped Luis Diaz in 10.

SALTA—For the local feather title, Carlos Gutierrez won by a TKO in 8 over Florindo Quintela.

QUILMES—In the middle division, Jose Caceres won by a TKO in the 9th over Mario Basualdo.

ROSARIO—At the "Norte" ring, middleweight Ramon Espinoso outpointed Benito Sanchez in 10.

SAN LUIS—Humberto Barbato whipped in 10 Pedro Miranda. They are lightweights.

MENDOZA—In the light class, Pedro Benelli won by a TKO in 7 over undefeated Carlos Aro. CORDOBA—In the light class, Vicente Vezzoni outpointed Valentin Brown from Panama in 10.

BAHIA BLANCA—Rogelio Andre won by disqualification in the third over Ricardo Falech, a good prospect in the welter class.

ROSARIO—In the welter class, Raul Roldan, local champion, won by a TKO in the fourth over Jose De Lujan Flores.

SALTA—Local feather champion Carlos Gutierrez lost in 10 to Rafael Benitez (nontitle bout).

CATAMARCA—In the light class, Dardo Brizuela kayoed Belindo Leiva in 3.

TEMPERLEY—Manuel Alvarez, good world prospect in the light class, outpointed Jose Leyes in 10.

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LANUS—Hard puncher Ubaldino Escobar drew in 10 with Jose Salvo. They are lightweights.

SALTA—Middleweight Tulio Medina kayoed Juan C. Munoz in 9.

SUNCHALES—Featherweight Victorio Cespedes outpointed Efren Voloso in 10.

CORDOBA—Panama lightweight Valentin Brown won by a TKO in the seventh over Hugo Juarez.

BAHIA BLANCA—For the local feather title, Ricardo Adasme, the champ, whipped Domingo Tacuave in 10th.

TUCUMAN—Undefeated local feather champion Cirilo Pausa, kayoed Angel Bustos in 3.

CONCORDIA—A good prospect in the welter class, Roberto Chetta won on points in 10 rounds over Ramon Espinosa.

TEMPERLEY—Undefeated feather Felix "Cucusa" Ramos won by a TKO in seventh round over Edmundo Anganuzzi. This boy was undefeated too.

BOXING IN LIMA, PERU By Prof. Wilfred Stephenson



Mina vs Cotton

About 30,000 fans attended the boxing festival offered by Promoter Max Aguirre and the Northern Section of the National Stadium was packed to overflowing. The outstanding items on the programme were the 12-round bout fought by Eddie Cotton, the United States light heavyweight, and Mauro Mina, the Peruvian champ and idol; and the semi-final staged by Homero Gutierrez, ex-Peruvian champion in the welter division and the fast Argentinian Roberto Arocha.

The star bout was won by Mauro Mina by a decision. There were no knockdowns. The only thrills experienced by the fans took place in the 9th and 12th stanzas in which both fighters kept the crowd yelling by their hard and vicious hitting. Mina won five rounds, Cotton three, and four were considered draws. This was the second time Mina won over Cotton. Cotton injured his right hand in the eighth round.

In the semifinal eight-rounder, the Argentinian Arocha thrashed Homero Gutierrez who lost every round. This was Gutierrez' second defeat at the hands of his contender.

BOXING IN PANAMA By Juan W. Copeland

Arena Colon . . . Louis Craig, Promoter.

Top bantamweight contender Ismael Laguna continued on his unbeaten way by adding California featherweight Bobby Gray to his list of victims. The show had been scheduled for Panama City, but the commission would not okay Gray and the fight was moved to Colon, where Bobby proved that Promoter Craig was right in bringing him down to panama as an opponent for Laguinas he gave a good account of himself.

It was a close contest for six rounds before Ismael's left jab opened cuts around both of Bobby's eyes forcing the doctor to step in. He did not allow Gray to come out for the ninth round.

round. In the semi-final, Alberto Meyers, $129\frac{1}{2}$, scored a split decision over the veteran Black Bill, $128\frac{3}{4}$. 6. In fours, Luis Patino, $116\frac{1}{2}$, kayoed Carlos Biggs, $117\frac{1}{2}$, in 0.35 of the third and Agustin Cedeno, 114, won over Esteban Quiroz, $112\frac{1}{4}$.

THE MEXICAN PROVINCES By Miguel Ramirez Aznar

LA LAGUNA

THE SOLE BOXING SHOW staged during the month was at San Pedro, State of Coahuila, under the promotion of Francisco "Pancho" Gonzales. Pancho is a real boxing fan and he decided to promote the show.

San Pedro. A historic old town, the oldest here in La Laguna territory, is located about 40 miles from Torreon. There, in San Pedro, lives Juanito Abusaid a young millionaire who loves all the ring sports.

Here are the results!

Jose "Perico" Andrade, 178, San Pedro big guy, surprised when he won the 10-round duke over Catarino Guerrero, 190, the strong "Calabrote" of the Francke Electric Plant. Andrade clinched the victory with a terrific right cross that floored Calabrote for an 8-count.

Eusebio "Chebo" Salazar, 122, decisioned newcomer Raul Hernandez, 125, in the ten round semifinal. It was a rugged match, the best in the card. He floored Chebo two times in the early first round but the more seasoned Salazar arose both times from the canvas to outbox his young foe.

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Kid Laguna, 125, outpointed "Gallito" Moreno, 124, after 6 heats. Kid Paloma, 110, whipped Kid Topito, 109, in four.

NORTHERN MEXICO

MONTEREY:— Promoter Enrique Lutteroth staged four boxing shows at the Arena "Coliseo" with the following results:

Gene Gresham, 138, Michigan rugged guy, stopped Rodolfo "Chivo" Diaz, 140, La Laguna in four rounds. Gene floored his foe four times before he finished him. In the scheduled 10-round semifinal, Juan Hernandez, 130, stopped Augustin Salinas, 132, La Laguna, in the second round. It certainly was a black night for the La Laguna fighters.

Oscar German, 117, Texas, kayoed Lorenzo "Osito" Galvan, 117, Mexico City, in four rounds. Manuel Flores, 114, La Laguna, outscored Marion Gonzalez, 116, in ten.

Manuel "Sonrisas" Avitia, 133, local boy, defeated Panchito Macias, 129, Guadalajara, in ten heats. "Ardilla" Garcia, 126, stopped Lupe Torres, 128, in the seventh heat of the 10-round semifinal bout.

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Jorge Ceja, 126, Guadalajara, outboxed sensation Jesus "Chuy" Pruneda, 124, during the 10-round route to score a unanimous decision. "Chaparro" DeLeon, 114, whipped Jesus "Chuy" Rocha, 112, also in a tenner.

Cesar Garza, owner of the Monterrey Bullfight Plaza, started as a boxing promoter and the fans packed the big house. Well, it was also a big show with Joe Louis acting in the main event as referee.

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Langston Carl Morgan, 145, Youngstown Buccaneer, gave a splendid account of himself when he scored an 8-round sensational knockout over Mauro Vazquez, 146.

Old "L.C." arose from the canvas but floored Mauro four times before the finish. It was a bloody, savage and rugged fight.

The card was completed with another two 10-round bouts. Rene Guajardo, 136, local proud, upset Enrique Camarena, 135, Mexico City, and Jose Moreno, 124, also a native boy, held Rafael "Torito" Mota, 120, Mexico City top bantam to a 10-round draw.

three heats.

OAXACA:—Rogelio Huitron, 125, Michoacan, outpointed "Grillo" Duran, 124, in ten rounds. Juan Luna, 125, defeated Ray Garcia, 127, in other tenner.

THE PACIFIC COAST

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ACAPULCO:—The Lutteroth organization staged three shows during the month and the results were as follows:

Juan Salazar, 124, decisioned Miguel Aguero, 123, in ten. Gustavo Garcia, 132, kayoed such "Zombie de Amatitlan," 135, in two rounds.

Ramon "Texano" Hurtado, 144, Sonora cowboy, and Fidencio Ramirez, 137, local mullatto, drew in ten rounds. Marcos Aguilar, 127, drew with Florencio Dominguez, 127, in the 10-round semifinal.

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"Zorrito" Castañon, 118, Acapulco bantam champ, scored a clean cut 10-round win over Oscar German, 117, Texas. The little Fox floored the Texan twice. "Pollero" Garcia, 126, decisioned Jose Elizarraga, 127, also in ten heats.

MAZALTAN:—The Pacific Coast idol, Ignacio "Zurdo" Piña, 119, easily whipped young Moi Torres, 120, Guadalajara, in ten rounds. Salvador "Chilango" Gomez, 118, stopped Paulino Mota, 117, in the second heat.

CULIACAN:—Veteran Hector "Shorty" Agundez, 122, surprised the fans when he kayoed favorite Luis "Chamaco" Hernandez, 125, Durango clever boxer, in only three rounds. Rogelio Fernandez, 126, put to sleep Ignacio "Chanqui" Guerra, 124, in the seventh heat.

HERMOSILLO:—The Sonora proud, Antonio

"Tony" Perez, 134, scored a split ten round decision over undefeated Cuban Jose Angel "Mantequilla" Napoles, 135.

Kid Rapidez, is campaigning in Mexico with Ultimino Ramos, Mantequilla Napoles, Babe Luis, Chuchu Gutierrez, Manolo Mora and Chico Veliz. They are all Cubans and splendid fighters.

In the 10-round semi-final match, Roberto "Bobby" Peña, 160, decisioned Ramon "Buffalo" Hernandez, 164.

NAVOJOA:—Here is that Tony Perez punching ahead again! Now the boy, weighing 134 pounds, put to sleep Joe Arias, 130, in four rounds. In other bout, Francisco Cancio, 141, kayoed Carlos Arias, 143, in the sixth.

THE GULF COAST

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SOUTHERN MEXICO
TUXTLA GUTIERREZ:—Manny Sanchez, 130, kayoed veteran Eduardo "Cachorro" Herrera, 131, in three rounds.

TAPACHULA: — Juventino "Dinamita" Rojas, 132, Fresnillo, halted Tito Fuentes, 133, in the second round of their scheduled tenner.

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FROM THE PHILIPPINES By Felipe J. C. Galang

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Ronnie Jones, 118½ of Chicago halted Piero Rollo, 119 of Italy in the seventh round at the Araneta Coliseum. The Italian bantam world contender sprained his right hand in the second round after a hot exchange. In the third, the crowd booed Rollo for not being serious without knowing that the Italian could no longer use his right hand. Jones took the opportunity to kayo his opponent. At the start of the seventh round the referee on the advice of the doctor, who found that the hand was swelling, and stopped the bout.

Theera Singsuanpoo, 121, Thailand, defeated Sid Javellana, 121, of Manila in 6 rounds. Al Fuentes, 132, and Art Alminana, 132, drew in the 2nd round. Alminana suffered a cut over his left eye as a result of an accidental butting.

Rudy Billones, 111, halted Bert Limin, 112, in the 5th round. Greg Garcia, 124, won over Young Macalino, 126, in 6. Andy Cortes, 107, substituting for Ely Axinto bested Flash Granados, 109, in another 6 rounder. Rudy Somodio, 111, and kid brother of Bert Somodio, defeated James Skelton, 112, in the 4 round curtain raiser.

Johnny Jamito, 131, stopped Yoshio Himuro, 120, in the 9th round of a scheduled 10 round main event in Cebu City. The former Philippine bantam champion was too fast and clever for the Japanese. Nat Fleischer, world recognized boxing authority, was a special guest of the promotion. Carlos "Noy" Agarao, 126, and Emil de Leon, 125, fought to a technical draw in the 5th round. Head butting was the cause.

Peter Sumanqui, promoter of Guagua, Pampanga, is now a candidate for mayor of Guagua, Kid Tacio Jr., present bantamweight champion of the Philippines, started his ring career under the promotion of Sumanqui in the early part of 1957.

As a sportsman, politician, and personality, Sumanqui has the edge over his seven rivals. With the boxing fraternity of his town, the different organizations of which he is an official, the people of his barrio and the moral support of the Philippine Boxing Association, Mr. Sumanqui may come out with fl

RING NEWS FROM SUNNY **AUSTRALIA** By Ray Mitchell

In rough but one of the most thrilling actionpacked fights seen at Sydney Stadium in months,
GARY COWBURN won the vacant Australian welterweight title by beating TOMMY COLLINS on a
foul in the ninth round.

In an incident-packed bout, Collins was warned
for careless use of his head and holding and hitting; Cowburn suffered cuts near both eyes and
had an ear torn. The ear injury dater received
six stitches, the eye-cuts two stitches.

Cowburn claimed that Collins bit his ear but
Collins protested that he did not bite. Referee
Vic Patrick stated that Collins bit his ear but
Collins protested that he did not bite. The
Stadium doctor also said the injury was not consistent with a bite. It happened at close quarters.
Before Referee Patrick rendered his decision in
the ninth round, Collins attacked the referee.

Cowburn was champion last year but lost the
title to Sid Prior who announced his retirement
three months later, thus leaving the title vacant.
Cowburn and Collins, as the two leading contenders, battled for the vacant throne.

Cowburn, one of the cleanest fighters in the
business, at no time resorted to rough tactics,
Collins seemed keyed-up to a nervous pitch.
It was as though the winning of the title meant
so much to him that baser instincts took over and
savage intensity over-rode delicacy of feeling.

Collins lost points for holding and hitting, for
kidney-punching, for dangerous use of his head
and for disobeying the referee.

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He boxed well and coolly in the face of Collins' savage attack, and he shook Tommy with some well-placed hooks to the head.

The ninth round was almost half over when Cowburn sent in a crashing left hook to the jaw, followed by a right to the head. Collins crashed to the canvas. Cowburn retired to a neutral corner and Vic Patrick applied the count.

At "four" Collins staggered up and ignoring the compulsory eight-count, charged towards Cowburn and threw punches. Cowburn fought back and Patrick darted in and pulled Collins away. Collins, fighting like a crazed man then turned his attention to Patrick and threw punches at the referee. Vic pushed him away and crowned Cowburn winner by disqualification. After the bout ended Collins apologized to Patrick. Sydney Stadium opened its 1963 season with a middleweight bout between Australian toughman, Don Bronco Jones and South African cham-

pion Gert Van Heerden. Van Heerden, who weighed in only a couple of pounds more than Jones, won by a large points margin, but he had to survive three knockdowns and near oblivion during the journey.

Van Heerden was down in the second round and twice in the seventh but Jones could not finish the job. In the ninth round, Jones was on the floor and the punch—a rip to the body—took a lot of steam out of him. It was a very hard fight.

Melbourne Festival Hall opened its 1963 season on January 18 with a 15-round Victorian State featherweight title fight between Les Dunn and Pasquale Curcio. Dunn won by KO in round 15 after trailing on points.

About two minutes of the round had passed when Curcio lowered his hands. He said afterwards that he heard a bell and he thought it was the bell to end the fight. Dunn saw Curcio drop his hands and he dropped Curcio. Pasquale was dazed when he regained his feet and was in no condition to continue when referee Terry Reilly stopped the fight.

The following week at Melbourne Festival Hall, Italian importation Elio Niero made his Australian debut by easily outpointing Australian welter Bobby Liddle. Liddle was listless in this fight but it is understandable as he had an attack of boils.

One week later Victorian State middleweight champion Sam Wheeler outclassed Queenslander Charlie Chambers, to win by KO when Terry Reilly stopped the fight in the tenth round. Chambers complained about the stoppage. Certainly he wasn't dazed but he wasn't getting anywhere and had no chance of winning.

That is all for this month. My address is: 23 Milburn Rd., Gymea, N.S.W., Australia.

BOXING BITS FROM SINGAPORE By Little Nene

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NAT FLEISCHER, 75 year old Editor and Publisher of this magazine honoured Singapore with a five day visit.

He commented highly on the cleanliness of Singapore roads, its scenic beauty and housing projects being carried out at vast expenditures.

But if Nat was impressed by Singapore's prospering business and modern cars and buildings, he also learned that professional boxing and amateur tournaments too were in the dull-drums. He met the press, boxing promoters, referees and a few ex-boxers. Everyone gave him the same sob tale: "There is no boxing in Singapore, because the entertainment tax on pro-boxing (33½%) is too hard to beat.

Aside from the 33½% entertainment tax from gross collection which promoters had to hurdle, promoters also had to pay 40% tax on what money imported fighters earn in Singapore.

Promoters here, especially, were thankful for Mr. Fleischer's visit in Singapore, boxing authorities so that tax may be reduced, but suggested to the OBF officials in Bangkok to accept Singapore as one of its members, if, and when Singapore boxing authorities applies for OBF membership. Despite the RING editor's tight schedule, he did not forget to visit the famous KRANJI WAR MEMORIAL SHRINE which is located on top of the Island's highest peak and where 24,000 soldiers and airmen of different races dedicated their lives for democracy and freedom.

CLEVELAND NEWS Harold Walsh

Cleveland has a new promotion club in Buckeye Sports Enterprises with Larry Atkins, returning to the local scene. Atkins Associated, with Toots Mondt and Vince McMahon, have started off with wrestling shows at the Public Hall. The club also sponsors live television shows every Saturday afternoon. They also plan to return to professional boxing shows later.

MICHIGAN FISTIC FACTS By Jack Waina

Boxing remained dormat here since the turn of the new year, but activity is expected to pick up shortly . Michigan heavyweight champion Sonny Banks has been training daily since recovering from a knee operation that has kept him out of action the past six months.

George Chuvalo, former Toronto heavyweight, has established residence in Detroit after breaking ties with Jack "Deacon" Allen, Max C. Handler sponsored a gathering at the Press Club and presented writer Lester Bromberg and Commissioner David Gudelsky with plaques . . . Trainer Theodore McWhorter is high on his welterweight protege Lucky Little.

Lucky Little.

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UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES By Tom Ephrem

Luis Rodriguez took on Joey Giambra, one of the best in the middleweight ranks and won with comparative ease at Miami Beach. Rodriguez, the smaller man, is RING'S ace contender among the welterweights. Giambra was the seventh middleweight to fall before him.

Jacksonville has seen some poor pairings but few to compare with the main event slung at the fans, in what was supposed to be the "return of big-time boxing". A gathering of 1,262, paying \$2,500, watched Florentino Fernandez chase Hilario Morales around the ring. Fernandez, a terrific puncher and formerly a ranked fighter in both the welter and middleweight divisions, finally caught up with his opponent with two body punches. Referee Carl Sivers counted Hilario out. It was a mismatch.

The prelims and semi-final saved the show. Welterweight Tim Ford lost his second pro fight. Again the victor was Sugar Cliff, of Fort Lauderdale. The South Floridian, managed by Jimmy Brady, was the unanimous winner. He dropped Ford in the second round for a knockdown.

Joey Murchison, 145, beat Davey Seabrooke, 142, in six. Nat Wright, 155, won six from Johnny Hobbs, 155. Louis Bowman won a four from Rocky Adair. Both welters. Every bout but the top billing was well received.

Willie McCrae, 137, took the measure of Jacksonville's Bobby Allen, 137, in the feature event of eight rounds at Miami's Little River. Junior Grant, 175, Nassau, was held to a draw in a four rounder by Vince Hepburn, 173, Miami, who was turning pro here.

Santo Flores, 128, Puerto Rico, whipped Jerry Powers, 127, of St. Louis, in a six round affair. Grady McLendon, 128, Dublin, Georgia, won a six rounder from Nino Marty, 126, of San Juan, Puerto Rico. Duane Simpson, 148, Opa-locka was given a split decision in a four round bout with Willie Thomas, 152, of Miami. Sid Meyerson, promoted.

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Jerry Powers, 130, of St. Louis, was awarded a TKO in the sixth round in a bout with Willie McCrae, 137, when Willie sported a bad cut right

eye.

Other results of Promoter Sid Meyerson's Little River show, at Miami: Ray Lavarro, 165, Hollywood, earned a six round nod over Jimmy Robinson, 172, of Kansas City, Harry Bellafonte, 152, Moultrie, Georgia, TKOd Walter Walker, 148, Miami, in the third round. Dede Dawson, 124, Opa-locka, opened his pro career with a four round win over Cermando (or Armando) Gomez, 124 Bogata, Colombia, Joey Cam, 146, Buffalo, took a four from Willie Thomas, 152, Miami, and Junior Grant, wrecked Lou Howard, 172, in the first round. first round.

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Larry Boardman, former top-ranking lightweight star from Marlboro, and Hartford, Conn., is in training for a comeback, his father and managertrainer, Sam Boardman announced.

The way Luis Rodriguez fought and won over Joey Giambra at Miami Beach could indicate Rodriguez would be the winner when he collides with Emile Griffith for the latter's welterweight title. Luis looked a world-beater against the Buffalo middleweight. The unanimous decision for the 150 pound Rodriguez, nine pounds lighter than Joey, is better judged by the score: Referee Cy Gottfried—100-91; Judge Stu Winston—99-93, and Judge Gus Jacobson—97-93.

The Rodriguez-Giambra undercard: Promoter Chris Dundee slept good that night, for 3.945 fans attended. Newcomer Lou Gutierrez, of Nicaragua, tipping 159, knocked out J. C. Ponder, 158, in the third round. Willie James, 155, TKOd Johnny Vaughn, 160, in the fourth; Perfecto Garcia, 137, whipped Tommy O'Connors, 138½, of Pittsburgh, in an eight rounder. Stormy Winters, 147½, beat Harry Bellefonte, 152, in the six rounder.

The Jacksonville Boxing Commission met to

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15 The Jacksonville Boxing Commission met to discuss the status of professional boxing's future.

16 A certainty is this: better matches must be made. The commission will not stand for this city being a "dumping ground". No more of this, states head Commissioner Julian Jackson, Secretary Ed Corley, and Commissioners M. C. Moore, Chuck Rogers and Ted Harris. They turned down Willi Besmanoff's next offer—a pairing between Mike DeJohn, Wayne Bethea and Archie McBride.

16 There wasn't a winner when Harry Tetlow and Eddie Fobbs collided in the feature attraction at Miami's Little River. Tetlow, 154, of Miami Beach and Fobbs, 152, of Fort Lauderdale settled for an eight round draw.

17 Cat' Robinson, 156, Miami, scratched out a six round decision over Alex De Julio, 158, of San Juan. George Williams, 154, Naples, Florida pounded out a four round TKO over Duane Duberly, 152, of Hollywood, Florida. Miami's Johnny Young, 147, was credited with a fourth round TKO over Art Wilcox, 145, same city. Grady McLendon, 126, Dublin, Georgia overpowered Jerry Powers, 127, of St. Louis, in a sixer. Sid Meyerson promoted.

16 We have new boxing people in Jacksonville, Stan and Pauline Ulikowski, formerly of Miami



Ralph Dupas flays away at Ray Robinson during their bout that culminated with Robinson the winner on a highly disputed decision. The fight drew a large house that booed the verdict.

Beach. Stan manages the Bahama heavyweight, Wendell "Fig" Newton who recently returned from a two-bout trip in Italy. Newton's first clash was a questionable decision loss to Franco Cavichi. The second was a loss to Francisco De Piccoli, the new sensation in Europe. That fight was in Rome and awarded to De Piccoli.

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Frank Patterson came up with one of his best wins at Little River, an eight round decision in the main event with Joe Moss, of Perrine. Patterson dropped Moss for a count in the first and had easy sailing rest of the way. The winner, from North Miami Beach tipped 159, and the loser at 164.

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Jack Gilbert, 156, Knoxville, skinned "Cat" Robinson, 154, in six rounds. Andy Mayfield, veteran and local 160 pounder, TKOd Jim Robinson, 162, Kansas City, in the fourth. Sandy Seabrooke, 126½, of Jacksonville, went four rounds to a draw with Nino Marty, 124, Puerto Rico. C. J. Thomas, 132, Miami, won a four rounder from Dede Dawson, 130, of Opa-locka, Florida. The Miami show was promoted by Sid Meyerson. Ralph Dupas, high-ranking RING MAGAZINE welterweight contender easily whipped mismatched Rocky Randell for a six round TKO at Harvey, Louisiana.

• Operating smoothly the eight round distance. Willie (Cadillac) James won the Little River main event over Rocky Randell, getting the vote of each official. This Miami card drew 775 fans. The winner, at 149, calls Greenville home. Randell is billed out of Houston.

Duane Simpson, 142. Opa-locka, grabbed all votes in a winning four over Rocky Lizzardi, 148, of Miami. Another unanimous verdict was reached in favor of Santo Menendez, 140, Havana who won the sixer from 146 pound Harry Bellefonte, of Moultrie, Georgia. Bill Langley, 192, Unionville, Conn., kayoed Johnny Knight, 185, in the third round.

The best of Southern heavyweight prospects, Roger Whittey, 198, of Whitfield, North Carolina.

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The best of Southern heavyweight prospects, Roger Whitley, 198, of Whitfield, North Carolina and Miami Beach, again met and beat 22 pounds heavier Jim Tillman, of Macon, Georgia. This was a sixer. Sid Meyerson, promoter.

Please relay all Southern boxing news and results to: Tom Ephrem, 964 Wren Road, Jacksonville, 16, Florida, and many thanks.

"Sugar" Ray Robinson, former welter and middleweight champion of the world won a split, very unpopular decision in 10 rounds over Ralph Dupas, of New Orleans, on January 30th at Miami Beach. A crowd of 4,778, paid \$18,388, according to Promoter Chris Dundee, saw the match and booed the decision. Both Associated Press and United Press tabbed Ralph and so did one judge, Jim Ruby (98-94). Judge Barry Pearlman figured Ray (97-94) and Referee Billy Regan for Ray, (98-96). (98-96).

Dupas made the fight and landed more punches, although Ray scored well in several

rounds. Robinson's big edge in weight, 162 for Ralph's 14934, helped the former great. If Chris continues to give the fans the type of fights they can talk about, there would be no reason why Florida could not hold more name shows. Such is the stimulant needed. This bout proved it. In the Robinson-Dupas undercard: Lou Gutierrez, Nat Forman's good middleweight, knocked out Harry Tetlow, of Miami Beach, in the second round. Prentis Snipes sent Abe Olds through the hemp for a kayo in the third round. Junior Grant

decisioned Vince Hepburn and Honeyboy Whitney whipped Tom Dennis. Gutierrez and Whitney bear watching.

bear watching.

Sonny Liston and Floyd Patterson are in training for the heavyweight title bout on April 10th, at Miami Beach. Championship Sports, Inc., is

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By BILL MILLER



GEORGE PARNASSUS WILL PUT ON CARNIVAL OF CHAMPIONS

As predicted, the Olympic Auditorium has inherited the featherweight title bout between Davey Moore, champ, and Sugar Ramos, No. 1 contender for March 16.

But George Parnassus, the matchmaker, has bigger ideas. Perhaps he is borrowing one of Mike Jacobs' ideas-does anyone remember the Carnival of Champions staged by Uncle Mike away back yonder

You may recall the card: Fred Apostoli vs Marcel Thil; Barney Ross vs Ceferino Garcia; Lou Ambers vs Pedro Martinez and Sixto Escobar vs Harry Jeffra; the date, Sept. 23, 1937; the place, Polo Grounds, N. Y.; gross receipts, \$232,644; the crowd, 32,600.

Well, coming back to 1963:

The gifted Greek plans a triple-championship card. Maybe he'll call it Carnival of Champions, also. Here are the bouts that George will make:

Davey Moore, featherweight champion vs Sugar Ramos, No. 1 contender.

Emile Griffith, welter champ, vs Luis Rodriguez, No. 1 contender.

Eddie Perkins, junior welter champ, vs Battling Torres, No. 3 contender (now that Duilio Loi has retired).

You've got to admit that this is a corking good card. And the junior welter bout, Perkins vs Torres, will mean as much to this card as the Carlos Ortiz vs Battling Torres scrap did to \$363,890. gate, February 4, 1960, at the Los Angeles Coliseum to set a state record. You may remember that Alphonse Halimi and Jose Becerra fought on the same card, with the banty title at stake.

Certainly no apologies or excuses are necessary for the other two fights planned: Moore vs Ramos, champ vs No. 1 contender and Griffith vs Rodriguez, the same: champ vs No. 1 challenger.

Where will it be held? Well, it's supposed to be a secret, but the Olympic is dickering with Buzzie Bavasi of the Dodgers ball club. The new ball park would be ideal for such a program. Since March 16, the prospective date, falls on Saturday, at least one of the three bouts would be nationally televised by the Gillette Razor Blade Company. And Mexico would be deeply interested in a Torres-Perkins fight.

Perkins fight.

Don Johnson, 126½, California featherweight champ, scored a bloody 10-round triumph over Danny Kid, Filipino veteran, 126, at the Olympic Auditorium, L.A. Johnson suffered a cut over his left eye in the 5th; expert corner work enabled him to continue, and win. Referee Tommy Hart, sole official, scored it 7-2.

In the semi, Bob Ferandez, 150, KO (6) over Gary Chapman, 153, in another bloody bout. Other prelims: Larry Flores, 125, KO (3) over Ray Delgado, 125½; and Frankie Corpus, 144, dec. over Sonny (Blade) Rios, 150.

Licho Guerrero, Mexico, 127, scored his fifth straight L.A. win at the Olympic Auditorium, but it was a lucky triumph—for Guerrero, but not for his opponent, Boots Monroe, 126. Boots was well in front on all score-cords, but in the 8th round he suffered a severe gash over his left eye and was unable to continue.

In the prelims, Chango Munoz, 113, drew with Beto Romero, 114 (6); Al Andrews, 144½, decisioned Benny McCovey, 147 (6), and in the opener, Charlie Leslie, 171, dec. Tommy Hutchins, 166 (4).

Thanks to a busy, strident, hard-working man-

166 (4).

Thanks to a busy, strident, hard-working manager named Harry Kabakoff, the hottest bantamweight in California right now seems to be Jesus Pimental, a vest-pocket edition of Cassius Clay. Pimental calls himself "Little Poison."

Well, little poison proved big poison at Joe Louis' Moulin Rouge Hollywood club when he scored his 18th straight knockout—a bantam, mind you!—at the expense of Mayico Robles of Mexico, sending him to the showers in the 6th round.

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A crowd of about 800 paid \$2,600 to see "Little Poison" score his 30th win—with 27 knockouts. He has only one defeat. The man who put that solitary black mark on Pimental's record was Trino Savala of Sacramento. Pimental, 119; Robles, 118½.

In the six-round semi, Eddie Santos, 124½, defeated Quan James, 124½; The fours: Sonny Rios, 146½, KO (4) over Freddie Ball, 146½; and Pay Lewis, 124, dec. Benny Lira, 124.

Manual Ortiz, former world bantam champ, underwent a very serious abdominal operation in his home town, El Centro. One of the doctors said that Manuel "just about died."

But the following day, reports were much more optimistic. The last one: "Ortiz is continuing to improve, and considering the situation, things look good." Which was mighty good news to Tommy Farmer, Manuel's manager, and the rest of his many friends.

Al Lang, 62, died at the General Hospital, Los Angeles—and although I've known Al for almost forty years, it was only after his death that I learned his name was Maurice Bressner. Everyone who knew Al knew that he hailed from Baltimore, originally; that his great idol was Al Jolson, another Baltimore product.

I hired Lang in 1925 to help our regular trainer Whitey Ekwert. That was when I was associated with Frank Churchill, who specialized in Filipino fighters, but handled many others as well, Frank had gone to Manila on a business trip, and I was in charge. We had ill-fated Clever Sencio boxing Corporal Izzy Schwartz at Hollywood; another of our boys, Pete Sarmiento, was boxing in San charge. We had ill-fated Clever Sencio boxing Corporal Izzy Schwartz at Hollywood; another of our boys, Pete Sarmiento, was boxing in San charge. We had ill-fated Clever Sencio boxing Corporal Izzy Schwartz at Hollywood; another of our boys, Pete Sarmiento, was boxing in San charge. We had ill-fated Clever Sencio boxing Corporal Izzy Schwartz at Hollywood; another of our boys, Pete Sarmiento, was boxing in Sa

Fresno, defeated Kirk Barrow, 1731/2, San Fran-

cisco.

SAN JOSE: Louis Molina, San Jose, 136, knocked out Chihuahua Kid, Sonora, Mexico, 135, in the second round.

Pinkie George, Morrie Cohan and Joe Bracker, who had auspicious plans for a new boxing club—"The First National Boxing Club of California"—were bitterly disappointed when the State Athletic Commission turned down their application. They said they had first call on Davey Moore vs Sugar Ramos for the world featherweight crown.

vs Sugar Ramos for the world converse, and the Ray Perez, 112, North American flyweight champ, scored an 8-round technical kayo over Ray Pacheo, 111½, Las Vegas, in San Jose. Perezhails from Honolulu, but he has been living in San Jose for some time. San Jose has become one of the busiest and best fight towns in California, thanks to Louis Molina and a few other technicales.

top-notchers.

Both Molina and Perez represented the U.S.
in the 1956 Olympic Games and they are good

friends.

This was the third meeting between Perez and Pacheco; Perez won the North American 112-pound title last May 17th in Las Vegas, when Pacheco had to call a halt because of cuts in the last round. They first met in Honolulu, when Perez outpointed Pacheco in 8 rounds. In the interim, Pacheco laid claim to the North American title—presumably because nobody wanted or cared for it.

it.

Jose Lopez, 117 pounds of Mexicali dynamite, scored a 3-round knockout—and a clean, authoritative one—over Stan (Skeeter) Davis, 117½, at the Olympic Auditorium, L.A. A single punch, a left hook to the jowls, laid the Louisville scrapper down and out.

It was Lopez' third Olympic fight, and his third straight kayo. In previous L.A. appearances, he knocked out Abe Villa and-Apolonio Salinas. As a matter of record, Lopez has won 26 out of 27, his only defeat being to Hector Agundez in Mexico.

ico.

Lopez, believe it or not, is a skilled leather worker, who specializes in ladies' hand-bags. As George Main of the Herald-Examiner put it: "Emile Griffith is a milliner; Dave Charnley, English lightweight champ, runs a beauty salon; don't be surprised if it develops that Cassius Clay is a member of the Bird Watchers Local No. 309".

On hand, about 1800. There'll be a lot more than that the next time Jose Lopez fights in the venerable arena.

Tony Valenti, 156, scored his 14th win in 14 fights, knocking out Charlie Hall, 158½, in 2:38, first round. This was the semi, slated for 6. Al Nieto, 121½, TKO over Miguel Ibarra, 121½; and Charlie Leslie, 170, KO (2) over Tommy Johnson.

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A quarter of a century ago—1938, to be exact—a good-looking kid named Jimmy Casino turned pro at the Olympic Auditorium, where I was then employed as publicist. He was a crowd-pleaser, and in his time he met such good ones as Archie Moore, Ceferino Garcia, Billy Soose and Freddie Steel: all former champions, please note.

John Hall of the TIMES wrote a fine piece about Casino, who has been in the movie industry since 1949, and doing very well. Along the way, he has been in contact with Richard Egan, of NBC's Empire series; with the late Jeff Chandler, with Steve Cochrane, Forrest Tucker and many more topnotchers.

What I liked about the story: Jimmy Casino credits boxing with his success, unlike some of the characters who seem to regret their ring careers.

careers,
"If it hadn't been for boxing, I'd probably have been a bum" said Casino, frankly. "Boxing opened all the doors for me. I was a rough kid, ran around with rough kids. I might have been a—who knows?—graduate of San Quentin."
Jimmy owns a fine home in the Toluca Lake section of town, has a nice family, and is hon-

ored and respected. James, I salute you.

Danny Valdez, home town pride, 125, scored the unanimous decision over Danny Kid, Filipino feather, 126½, at Joe Louis' Moulin Rouge club in Hollywood. This despite a knockdown in the second round.

Referee Frankie Van and Judge George Latke

Referee Frankie Van and Judge George Latka turned in identical cards, 7-4; Judge Russ Bradford, 8-5. On hand, about 700. It was Valdez' 30th win in 35 pro starts; and Danny Kid's tally now stands 66-10.

In prelims: Memo Lopez, 149, dec. Garfield Gray, 145 (6); Ray Lewis, 121\(^1\)/4 dec. Al Nieto, 120, (4), and Ben Lira, 128, dec. Beto Maldonado, 128, (4).

The Nevada State Athletic Commission turned "thumbs down" on the Sonny Liston-Floyd Patterson rematch. Chairman James Deskin polled the commission. Four of the five voted against; the fifth was in a Salt Lake City hospital and couldn't be reached.

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Johnny Smith, state middleweight champ, scored his tenth straight K.O. in the Olympic Auditorium ring (L.A.), when he knocked out Gene Bryant in Round 3. Smith's title wasn't at stake. Smith, 157½; Bryant, 161.

Bryant had no trouble going the route with Denny Moyer in his last scrap. The kayo brought Smith's record to 21-6, with 17 knockouts.

There were two sixes: Jose Cejudo, 116, scored a decisive win over Chango Nunoz, 112; and Al Azevedo, Bakersfield pride, 148, drew with Garfield Gray, 145.

field Gray, 145. In the four round opener, Tommy Johnson, 159, dec. Bobby Bell, 1591/4.

IT HAPPENED IN WISCONSIN with Pinky Mitchell, former World Junior Welterweight Champion

About 2700 fans braved below zero weather to see Wisconsin Junior Welterweight Champion, silly Braggs, win the unanimuous decision over Wayman Dawson, Youngstown, O., in 10 rounds at the Milwaukee Auditorium. Both fighters weighed 140.

The victory erases the only defeat in Braggs' record of 22 professional bouts. Last year, in the first round at Hudson, Wis., Dawson was credited with a T.K.O. when the fighters bumped heads and Braggs received a badly cut eye. The doctor stopped the bout.

Their latest bout was hard fought with the margin of victory. Braggs sharp-shooting left jab. Dawson's eye was cut in the fifth round.

EIGHT ROUNDS

Ricco Brooks, 186, Chicago, won unanimous decision over Jimmy Christopher, Milwaukee.

SIX ROUNDS

Doug McLeod, 155¹/₄, Grand Rapids, Mich., stopped C. B. Smith, 154 ½, Milwaukee at 2 minutes 47 seconds of fifth round.

Art Hernandez, 150¹/₄, Omaha, Neb., stopped Ronnie Redelsperger, Los Angeles, at 2:15 of fourth round.

FOUR ROUNDS

Ronnie Redelsperger, Los Angeles, at 2:15 or fourth round.
FOUR ROUNDS
Jackie Holloway, 148, Chicago, won unanimous decision over Jodie James, 147, Milwaukee.
Phil Valley's Wisconsin Boxing Club promoted the show which drew \$4,631.
The club invited fifty former Milwaukee Greats in the art of Fisticuffs and they were introduced from the ring by announcer Rusty Hagen, who was never in better form.

ARK-LA-TEX JABS By Bill McIntyre

EAST TEXAS REVIVAL—Henry Watson of Dallas, top-rated 135-pounder in Texas lightweight rankings, hammered out a uninamous decision over Benito Juarez of Austin just after New Year's

over Benito Juarez of Austin just after New Year's in the first professional boxing show produced by Longview Sports Promotions.

Watson boosted his record to 63-16-1 and dropped Juarez to a 13-2-0 chart as he copped the 10-round verdict handily before a turnout of 900 in Longview's LeTourneau Dome. Juarez was dropped for an 8-count in the second round.

The Watson-Juarez go was a substitute match hastily arranged by Promoter Bob Nichols, as Longview came up with its first pro offering in at least two decades.

Preliminary Results: Sonny Moore. Dallas vet-

at least two decades.

Preliminary Results: Sonny Moore, Dallas veteran, starched Milt Chapman, Shreveport rookie, in 1:46 of the second chapter (heavies) . . Wee Willie Vaughn, Longview, ran his win skein to 14 in a row with a unanimous points win over Horace Davis, Dallas, in a 6-rounder (lights) . . . Fred Burris, Dallas, stopped Bill McConnell, Wichita Falls, in 2:10 of the first round of a scheduled four (welters) . . Beldon Paton, Dallas, flattened Buddy Paulkner, Cleveland, Ohio, in 53 seconds of the second chukker in the opening 4-rounder (feathers).

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"PACIFIC NORTHWEST BOXING

By Ruggles Larson

TACOMA, WASHINGTON—George Wright, 160,
Tacoma, Wash., used a snappy left jab and a
quick right cross to rip Charley "Tombstone"
Smith, 157½, L.A., apart. Wright, never looking
sharper in his career, took complete command.
Referee Davey Ward halted the one-sided match
at 2:31 of the seventh round.

With the exception of a brief flurry in the fifth,
Smith never displayed any of his punching reputation. By the seventh, Tombstone had his right
eye closed and was wobbly of foot.

In the scheduled eight round semi, sharpshooting Rudy Garcia made it a rough night for
the Los Angeles stable by body punching Andy
Edwards, 137, into submission. Garcia decked
Edwards five times before Dr. O'Connell ordered
the bout stopped during the second round intermission.

Four rounders: Harry Walker, 164, Hoquiam.

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Four rounders: Harry Walker, 164, Hoquiam,
and Denny Yenter, 156, Tacoma, staged a pier-six
water front brawl. Walker knocked Yenter down
twice in the second with solid right crosses and
again in the third. But the ex-Marine staggered
back in the fourth round and shook Walker up

repeatedly, but it wasn't enough to overcome the

repeatedly, but it wasn't enough to overcome the big lead.

Bob Jacob, 155, Kent, Wash., scored a 1st round TKO over Leon LeSueur, 152, Portland. Mike Schaffer, 140, Tacoma, stopped Ken Ingram, 136, Portland, in the first.

The Inigo Lucceshi promotion drew 1,710 fans. The card was held at the Tacoma Sports Arena.

LONGVIEW, WASHINGTON — Former P.N.W. welter champ Davey Ward is now working for the state highway dept. and doing a fine job of refereeing pro and amateur bouts.

PEUGENE OREGON—Carl "Bobo" Olson, 175, stopped "Tiger" Al Williams, 174, L.A., in the fifth round with a solid right hand that opened a large eye laceration. Olson was leading up to this point and continues his upward climb on his latest comeback.

In the companion ten rounder, undefeated Bobby Horne, 160, Springfield, Oregon, won a ten round split decision over Mel Ferguson, 152, L.A. Horne, decked for a no count in the second, finished strong to earn the duke.

In the six round semi, Cal Brown, 160, Preist Lake, Ida., looked impressive in winning a unanimous decision over Ken Merideth, 154, Albany, Ore.

Four rounders: Ken Franklin, 155, Eugene, Ore.,

Ore.
Four rounders: Ken Franklin, 155, Eugene, Ore., decisioned Bob Jacob, 155, Kent. Wayne Jernigan, 162, Springfield, decisioned Bud Putney, 162, Mon-

roe, Ore. Gary Kuhns, 184, Spokane, decisioned Mike Feas, 201, Springfield. The Phil Moyer promotion drew 4,989 fans. This was Phil's first promotional effort since his

This was Phil's first promotional effort since his recent retirement from the ring.

> TACOMA, WASHINGTON—The following amateur fighters were crowned champions in the 15th Annual Tacoma Golden Gloves: 112—Martin Alard (Albany, Ore.), 119 lbs. Dennis Haws (Portland), 125—Richard Sue (Portland), 132—Len Kesey (Eugene), 139—Jodie Harris (Portland), 147—Ernie Ivery (Monroe, Wash.), 156—Johnny Howard (Portland), 165—Art Adams (Monroe), 178—George Gaston (Monroe), and hvy.—Boon Kirkman (Seattle).

> SHELTON WASHINGTON.

(Seattle).

SHELTON, WASHINGTON—Two ex-Marine Corps champs, Walt Hailey and Cliff Pharris, are planning to turn pro shortly. Hailey is originally from New Orleans, but makes this northwest logging town his home now.

PORTLAND, OREGON—Portland concluded its 1963 Golden Gloves tournament with the crowning of Vic Brown (Ft. Lewis) as champ of the heavyweight division. Other winners are as follows: 178—Earl Pilgram (Van. B.C.), 165—Joe Jopkins (Portland), 156—Johnny Howard (Portland), 147—Jodie Harris (Portland), 139—Willie Clemens (Ft. Lewis), 132—John Keyes (Ft. Lewis), 125—Al Chabot (Van. B.C.), 119—Dennis Hawes (Portland), and 112—Luther Smith (Van., Wash.).

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IN OLD NEW ENGLAND **By Don Hamill**

WORCESTER—Mechanics Hall—In preparation for their pending bout for the vacant New England middleweight championship, Larry Carney of Lowell and Peachey Davis of Hartford garnered wins in two of three eight rounders which topped the opening card of the year. Carney, 160, won a handy decision over Vernon Lamar, 158, Newark, N.J. Carney won every round as he freely belted his shorter opponent with a body attack. Davis knocked out Leroy Holmes of Newark in the third round but experienced a little trouble in doing it. Holmes was spilled in the first round but Davis became overconfident and made a trip to the canvas in the second. Holmes was counted out in the third.

out in the third.

out in the third. In a third eight rounder, Dick French, 141, Providence, won easily over lanky Augie Simmons, 150, New York. Richie Grassley, 132, Providence, won on a TKO in the third when Lloyd Marshall, 130, Newark, suffered a cut alongside

▶ WORCESTER — Mechanics Hall — Dick French, 138, Providence, won his first main event when he edged out a close but unanimous ten round decision over wily Johnny Bean, 133, New York. French overpowered the Gothamite who is billed as from Philadelphia.

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Artie LaFrance, 134, Manchester, N.H., avenged his only defeat when he eked out a close six round split decision over Richie Grassley, 136, Providence. Augie Simmons, 150, New York, was held to a draw in six rounds by a rank amateurish Edmund Desrosiers, 141, Montreal. Ricky Nelson, 134, New York, was impressive in whipping Jesus Alicia, 130, Holyoke, in six rounds.

WORCESTER—Mechanics Hall—Rodrique Beaupre of Quebec City first appeared in Worcester as Owen (Rocky) Clark and in his debut, scored a surprise knockout over Johnny Bean. Bean, 131, New York, atoned for the defeat when he filled in as a last minute substitute.

Beaupre landed a knockdown punch when he dropped Bean just before the bell ended the sixth round.

dropped Bean just before the bell ended the sixth round.

Ted Doncaster, 162, Clinton, dropped twice by low blows was awarded the win in the third round when Julius Owens, 165, New York, was disqualified. Artie LaFrance, 139, Manchester, N.H., survived a late rally by Ricky Palmieri, 134, Uxbridge, to win the duke in their sixer. Augie Simmons, 154, New York, was awarded a TKO win when Gene Garrison, 157, Boston, was unable to come out for the fifth round because of a bad cut over his eye.

his eye.

• WORCESTER — Mechanics Hall — Dick French, 137, Providence, again turned in a sparkling performance, this time by whipping Rodrique Beaupre, 133, Quebec City. French took the Canadian's best punches, kept the pressure on him with his aggressive style, and outfought him all the way. Artie LaFrance, 133, Manchester, repeated over Ricyk Palmieri, 135, Uxbridge, in the six round semi-final.

Ricyk Palmieri, 135, Uxbridge, in the six round semi-final.

Willie Williams, 134, Brighton and New Waterford, N.S., returned to the ring wars with a decision over Richie Grassley, 137, Providence, also over the six round route. Tommy Thibault, 140, Somerville, squeezed out a close four round win over Tony Caruolo, 140, Providence.

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EUROPEAN GOSSIP

By CHARLEY PARRISH

DE PICCOLI-SCHOPPNER FEATURE ACTION



FRANCO De PICCOLI

As is customary, the New Year took a while in getting started and there were few programs of major importance. Several leading lights handed in their licenses, including Giancarlo Garbelli, Charley Attali, Andre Valignat (for the second time), Andre Mauguin, Manuel Sosa, and according to report, Folledo and Loi, though the latter's retirement has frequently been announced. Folledo has broken three bones in his right hand and will be unable to commence training for two months but according to rumor intends to exchange boxing for bull-fighting.

Fighter of the Year awards were given to Peter Mueller in Germany, Jean Josselin in France, Burruni in Italy and Folledo in Spain, who also was rated fifth among Spanish sportsmen. No boxer featured among the top twenty sportsmen of France.

ROME—Franco De Piccoli finally "arrived" in style when he blasted out Howard King of America with one punch at the Sports Palace, where some 10,000 fans had collected to watch their star heavyweight put to the test. The Negro from Reno had just won from Ray Shiel in England and had fought the best available, including Liston, Moore, Chuvalo and in Europe had beaten Dick Richardson.

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De Piccoli scaled 214 against King's 206 and entered the ring in fine condition. After a brief skirmish, the big Italian feinted with his right, King stabbed out a tentative left to his opponent's ear and De Piccoli slammed a left hook bang on his chin. King pitched over sideways and fell half through the ropes. Despite his struggles to get to his feet, he was unable to beat the count, which finished 29 seconds after the opening gong. Piccoli's defense is still very casual. His science is limited but his power of sock is definite and Italian scribes laud him as the hardest hitter on the Continent.

On the same card, an interesting technical dispute between Renato Moraes and Freddie

on the Continent.

On the same card, an interesting technical dispute between Renato Moraes and Freddie Mack was stoppd in the sixth round and declared "No Contest." Both excellent boxers with a destructive punch, Moraes and Mack spent most of the time maneuvering around the ring and eventually articles were thrown into the ring. An orange bouncing off Mack's head caused the ref to stop the bout.

Giorgio Masteghin won a careful points decision over Garvin Sawyer, who flattened him in their last meeting, in a heavyweight eight and Celio Turrini was counted out on his feet in the fifth round of his maul with Benito Penna. Turrini claimed he was thumbed in the eye and was unable to see.

able to see.

Valerio Nunez disputed a torrid lightweight eight with Franco Caruso, gaining the nod after

a hectic slamming match during which Caruso took a brief count. Gabriele Ceccangeli whipped Armando Murzilli in a feathers six and Farina got a disputed verdict over Brugnoni in a welter six. PESARO, Italy—Giuseppe Linzalone fought at top pressure to outpoint the dangerous Brazilian, Ivan Cipriano, in a fast bantam eight. Mario Luzzi trimmed Silvio Garagnani in a lightie six. RAVENNA, Italy—Efrem Donat did well to halt Waldo Teixeira of Brazil in the sixth round of their lightweight bout while Giancarlo Raccagni edged out ex-champion Annibale Omodei in a welter eight.

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▶ RIMINI—Luciano Lugli, rising middles threat, slammed out Carlo Sala in the third round with a right to the chin and his opponent remained "out" for ten minutes.
Lino Rossi handed Vito della Foglie his first defeat by stopping the local lightweight in the fourth round, after a clash of heads.
▶ FROSINONE, Italy—Domenico Tiberia clinched his standing among the welter leaders by pounding out a point win over rugged Luigi Castoldi in a hard eight-rounder whilst Mario Libertini clearly outscored Mario Calcaterra in a second welter bout.
▶ TUNIS—Angel "Robinson" Garcia paid a call here to settle matters with Ameur Lamine, leading local lightweight, and trounced the Tunisian well in ten rounds. Garcia, 132, completely outboxed the hustling Lamine, 129.
Simon Bellaiche trimmed Francois Gerard in a lightweight six.
▶ PARIS—Mohamed Faradji retained the Parisian welter title by gaining a disputed verdict over Daniel Brunet ten fairly even rounds at the Central. Antoine Martin, former star rom Martinique, currently on the comeback trial, won every round against Louis Oberto in a feathers eight.
At the same venue a week later, Gerard Gartner, young lightweight prospect, decisioned Belaid Meslem over ten rounds and Nick Maric of Yugoslavia halted Joseph N'Gan of Senegal in the seventh round of a cruiser clash, due to a cut eye.
▶ BILBAO, Spain—A black night for the Basques when their three stars were defeated on the same program. Victor Carroscosa, disputing his third bout in a week, was outscored by Luis Rodriguez in a bantam eight, Eduardo Romaniega was stopped before the limit by Manuel Prieto in a welter scrap and José Guemez was halted in the fourth by Luis Aisa, former amateur feathers champ.
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MADRID, Spain—At the Fiesta Alegre, Antonio Lopez won clearly from Manolin Alvarez in a hard bantam eight, flooring his more experienced opponent for "9" during the second round.

Ignacio Romero slugged it out to a drawn verdict against Angel Rodriguez in a feathers eight and Andres Canaveras whipped Manuel Prieto in

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BARCELONA, Spain—At the Gran Price, Frank Garcia won in the second round when Vicente Farrando was ruled out for palpably low blow. Jesus Zarco outpointed José Merayo in a lightweight eight and Juan Pinto knocked out Marti in the third round of another lightie fray.

PADUA, Italy—In a return bout Marcello Santucci and Brazil's José Asumpcao, both weighing 149, fought it out again to another draw over eight rounds. Valerio Nunez of Argentina scored a narrow win over Nedo Stampi in a lightweight eight and Constantino Romano nodded Nunzio Fontana in a welter six.

TOURS, France—Alphonse Halimi went all out for a quick win against Rafael Fernandez but settled down in the second round to spar turgidly to a points win over the Spaniard in ten rounds. René Libéer outboxed Raton Osuna of Spain in a lively flyweight ten and Guy Bonsigne stopped Georges Gestel in the third round of a welter debate.

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• PARIS—At the Cirque d'Hiver, a new fistic luminary was greeted when Felix Brami, an Italian bantam from Tunisia, completely mastered veteran José Luis Martinez. Blood streamed from a badly cut eye but Martinez kept going until the referee halted the bout in the fifth round.

Mohamed ben Said put paid to the pretensions of Bernard Moreau, whose corner slung in the towel during the eighth round of their lightweight clash whilst Charles Fituossi chilled Michel Berquez in the fourth heat of a welter dispute.

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• BARCELONA, Spain—At the Gran Price, Bobby Ros clashed with Leopold Escuin in a welter rough and tumble which ended in a disputed draw whilst Vicente Ferrando knocked out Antonio Antolinos in the fourth round of a second welter

slam.

ABIDJAH, West Africa—Robert Duquesne won much as he pleased against the local lightheavy, Kouame Yao, in a one-sided ten rounds. Michel Lamora was too strong for Pierre Ike, local bantam star, and the ref stopped the bout in the third round after the Negro had taken three counts.

counts.

PARIS—At the Central, Assane Fakyh, the durable Libanese welter, returned to action with a good points win over Maurice Devilliers after eight rounds. Maurice Francois beat Lucien Moreau in a lightweight six.

SALAMANCA, Spain—Ricardo Navarro was unexpectedly held to a draw by José San Matias in a lightweight eight whilst Serrano II won from Gonzalez in a feathers eight.

At CADIZ, Gonzales Ribeiro whipped Zorrilla in a welter eight.

MILAN, Italy—At the Stella d'Oro, the lanky Brazilian novice, Pedro Carrasco outfought vet-

CONTINENTAL RATINGS

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LIGHTWEIGHTS

Sergio Caprari (I)

- Ingo Johansson (SW)
 Karl Mildenberger (G)
 Franco De Piccoli (I)
 Wim Snoek (H)
 Sante Amonti (I)
 Franco Cavicchi (I)
 Gerhard Zech (G)
 Albert Westphal (G)
 Ulli Nitzschke (G)
 Marianz Echaronzia (S)
- 1. Erich Schoeppner (G)
 2. Giulio Rinaldi (I)
 3. Gustav Scholz (G)
 4. Pekka Kokkonen (FN)
 5. Lennart Risberg (SW)
- 6. Paul Roux (F)
 7. Helmut Ball (G)
 8. Piero Del Papa (
 9. Michel Vinot (F)
- Mariano Echevarria (S) 10. Peter Gumpert (G)

FEATHERS

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 1. Willi Quatuor (C)
 2. Lino Mastellaro (I)
 3. Gracieux Lamperti (F)
 4. Mario Sitri (I)
 5. Jean Renard (B)
 6. René Barrier (F)
 7. Alberto Serti (I)
 8. Renato Galli (I)
 8. Kid. Tana (S)

- 9. Kid Tano (S)
 10. Antoine Martin (F)

MIDDLES

- 1. Laszlo Papp (HY)
 2. Luis Folledo (S)
 3. Hippolyte Annex (F)
 4. Marcel Pigou (F)
 5. Peter Mueller (G)
 6. Nino Benvenuti (I)
 7. Armand Vannucci (F)
 Scollagraph Picils (F)

- 8. Souleymane Diallo (F)
 9. Bruno Santini (I)
 10. Sandro Mazzinghi

BANTAMS

1. Piero Rollo (I)

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 2. Alphonse Halimi (F)
 3. Pierre Cossemyns (B)
 4. Federico Scarponi (I)
 5. Giuseppe Linzalone (I)
 6. Primo Zamparini (I)
 7. Kamara Diop (F)
 8. Mario D'Agata (I)
 9. Risto Luukkonen (FN)
 10. Pierre Vetroff (F)
- WELTERS
- 1. Fortunato Manca (I) 2. Chris Christensen (D)

- Franco Nenci (I)
 Jean Josselin (F)
 Omrane Sadok (T)
 Jean Rolland (F)
 Fernando Proietti (I)
 Claude Saluden (F)
 Mauri Backman (FN)
- 10. Maurice Auzel (F)

FLYWEIGHTS

- 1. Salvatore Burruni (I)
 2. Mimun ben Ali (S)
 3. René Liéer (F)
 4. Pierre Rossi (F)
 5. Raton Osuna (S)
 6. Antonio Lopez (S)
 7. Antonio Satta (I)
 8. Paele Curretti (I)

- 8. Paolo Curcetti (I)
 9. Young Martin (S)
 10. Luis Rodriguez (S)

1. Sergio Caprari (I)
2. Aissa Hashas (F)
3. Mario Vecchiatto (I)
3. Fernand Nollet (F)
4. Conny Rudhof (G)
6. Sandro Lopopulo (I)
7. Michele Gullotti·(I)
8. Franco Brondi (I)
9. Olle Maeki (FN)
10. Luigi Oberti (I) LEGEND; Belgium B; Denmark D; France F; Germany G; Finland FN; Holland H; Hungary HY; Italy I; Spain S; Sweden SW; Tunisia T.

eran Franco Rosini in a hard welter eight whilst heavyweights Renato Moraes and Giuseppe Migliari boxed an exhibition.

BRUSSELS, Belgium—Yves Cornez, a middleweight who last season built up a long string of victories, was stopped in four rounds by the American, Pal Newsome, at the Sports Palace. Claude Saluden, elegant French welter, was too strong for René Flaba and checked the Walloon in six rounds.

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MILAN, Italy—At the Lido Palace, Salvatore Burrini gained a convincing points win over Carlos Zayes, 110, belting the tattooed from pillar to post in every round, only to have his opponent come out fresh for the next session.

Giordano Campari stopped Uelcio Netto of Brazil in two rounds, after suffering two knockdowns the visitor was unable to defend himself, but Valerio Nunez levelled the score for the South Americans by checking Romolo Spila in the second round of another lightie larrup.

Giovanni Biancardi won from Jorge Fiordelmondo in the fifth round of their middles clash; when the Uruguayan was warned by the ref he swore back and was disqualified. Carmelo Chessa stopped Silvio Garagnani in the second heat of a lightweight bout.

PARIS—At the Salle Wagram, Yoland Leveque won from Giancarlo Garbelli in a middles ten. Garbelli was inclined to mock his opponent, dropping his arms and offering his jaw, but Leveque unsportingly took advantages of these gestures and scored with his fast straight left, Garbelli finished the bout with his face masked in blood. Georges Payen defeated Lugien Hennebelle in a lightweight ten and Joseph Peig nodded Jean Claude Pichard in a bantam eight.

BARCELONA, Spain—Vitor Alves, the now notorious Portuguese who subbed for his stepbrother Fragoso, boxed under his own monniker at the Gran Price but lasted little more than three rounds against Vicente Ferrando, when the bout was stopped.

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PARIS—The suspect chin of Omrane Sadok failed to stand up to the punching of Eddie Perkins when they collided at the Sports Palace. The Tunisian started off with a slam-bang attack but Perkins blocked or dodged most of the blows. Sadok went down for 8 and a moment later was knocked out with a right to the chin.

Angel Robinson Garcia was again toeing the line, punching it out with Fernand Nollet in a hard ten-rounder in which the edge went to the Cuban whilst bantam belter Jean Parra checked Christian Marchand in the ninth round.

LAVAL, France—Marcel Pinault chilled Gilbert Souday in the fourth frame of their middles combat and Michel Trou flattened Jean Pastrella in their fourth round of a welter affair.

ROME—Giacoma Putti, on the sidelines for quite a time, made a big impression at the Palazzetto when he tangled with Marcello Santucci, a robust youngster with a punch in either mitt. Putti accepted the challenge and outslammed his opponent in furious bouts of infighting to win the verdict.

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Fabio Ceccardi defeated Giuseppe Bruni in a bantam eight, and veteran Sergio Milan was shaded by Robert Marchetti in a feathers eight. Heavyweight Adriano Amati came back after a layoff to stop Gian Bacchini in four rounds whilst Franco Torrisi lost to Marcello Verziera in a welter six. Attendance, 3,000.

FELLBACH, Germany—The introduction of boxing here brought a full house for promoter Hesselschwerdt, though the main bout seemed an uneven match, with novice Klaus Klein facing experienced Harry Kurschat. Klaus, in his fourth probout, was gradually worn down by his hard-hitting opponent and retired in the sixth session. Both men weighed 143.

Peter Michalski, 147, stopped Erich Hackl, 156, in two and a half minutes and Roland Swoboda, 182, drew with Ossi Bochow, 166, in a crude fourrounder, Wolfgang Kohnert was taken out of action during the fourth round of his welter bout against Tristano Tartarini of Italy, after taking four counts. Wolfgang Fritsche, 136, checked Bounekik of Algeria in five rounds.

GENOA, Italy—Ugo Fontana bit off more than he could digest when he tackled Claude Canu, a tough French middle, and was soundly beaten on points after eight rounds.

PARIS—Robert Meunier, battle-scarred veteran who long ago outpointed Robert Cohen, was still too foxy for Antoine Martin and fought his way to a drawn decision in a feathers ten at the Central. Etienne Giminez halted Floquet in the second round of a bantam bout.

based in the Grand Duchy, obtained a points win over the Belgian André Chapelle in eight rounds.

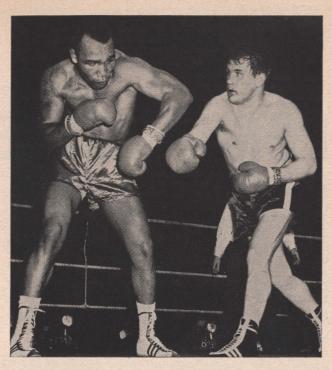
MILAN, Italy—At the Stella d'Oro, Renato Galli put up a brilliant display against Ferreira Da Silva of Brazil, lambasting the tough Latin to win clearly in a feathers eight.

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OLDE/BRURG, Germany—After a long break, boxing commenced here with a promotion by Fritz Wiene and Theo Wittenbrink which attracted 3.300 fans. Top of the bill was Heini Meinhardt, 163, who stopped Daniel Leuillier of France in the sixth canto.

Manfred Hass, 161, halted Eugen Musen, 163,

Erich Schoppner (right) survived two knockdowns and a bad battering in the late rounds to win the verdict over Von Clay of Philadelphia before a large crowd at Dormund.



in the fifth frame after scoring two damaging knockdowns, and Max Resch, 162, outpointed tenacious Mohamed Saleb, 157, over eight rounds. Rudi Nehring, 176, won from novice Gerd Englbrecht, 183, who was advised to retire at the end of the fourth round due to a split lip. Reinhard Dampmann, 160, halted Helmut Schlueter in two rounds and Hans-Peter Schulz, 138, won on points against Abdullah Sow of Senegal over four rounds.

LINKOEPING, Sweden—The barnstorming tour of the Ahlqvist team continued successfully, attracting a full house of 4,000 although Risberg was unable to appear due to illness. Risto Luukkonen, 119, of Finland, featured in the main event against Miguel Lopez, 127, a Spaniard based in Germany. Luukkonen disregarded his opponent's weight advantage and went into the attack, flooring Lopez twice before knocking him out in the eighth round.

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Bo Hoegberg, noted clouter, was unable to do
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Lars Norling, 178, failed to impress against Kurt Ströer and was stopped by the fast-improving Teuton in the sixth round and Werner Wasen gained the decision from José-Maria Manrique of Spain in a lightweight scrap.

PARIS—At the Cirque d'Hiver, Aissa Hashas punched out a points win against Lucien Fernandes over ten rounds, Hashas was half a stone lighter than his opponent and the going was even until the fourth frame, when a cut eye sent blood running down Fernandes's face. He still fought back strongly but after taking a count in the fifth, he was little more than a punchbag.

Yves Desmarets flattened Michel Barberon in the third heat of a feathers bout and Francois Marthinera halted Henrillon in the fourth stage of a welter debate.

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Marcel Moello outscored another Belgian middle, Jean Milaire, over eight rounds while Sylvain achieved the only win for the invaders, beating Jean Pouan in a welter eight.

MADRID, Spain—At the Fiesta Alegre, José San Matias upset the works by whipping Antonio Ramos in a lightweight eight; Ramos is the official title-contender but was poorly trained. In another lightweight eight, Luis Alcazar drew with blond Elias Vazquez, Manuel Prieto whipped Miguel Laquidain in a welter eight.

DUNKIRK, France—Gerard Marcrez defeated Jacques Guent over ten rounds here for the Flanders bantam title.

LAS PALMAS, Spain—Cesareo Barrera, national cruiser champ, won on points from faded Vicente Tomas Moktar over eight rounds while Felix Alonso drew with veteran Francisco Carreno in a bantam eight. Madrid bantam prospect Ramon Casal was trimmed by Manuel Rodriguez over eight rounds.

LIEGE, Belgium—Emile Saerens was too strong for crude Francisco Bermudez and stopped the Spaniard in the fourth round of their middle

clash.

Jean Rénard was held to a drawn decision after ten hard rounds against Omar Oliva of the Argentine and Georges Fabbri bested Roger Verhelst in a welter eight.

PARIS—At the Central, Jean Dantas was adjudged lucky to get the verdict over Lulu Hennebelle in a lightweight eight and Seraphin Lopez checked Louis Hamelin in the third heat of a feathers slam.

GRENOBLE. France—Paolo Sciré. Italian welter.

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MODENA, Italy—Against Attilio Vit, Manfred Harnack stoically took six counts in four rounds before his corner slung in the towel to finish their one-sided cruiser clash. In a welter six, Aleardo Urbani drew with Constantino Romano.

DORTMUND, Germany—Erich Schoeppner's intended opponent Eddie Cotton couldn't make it due to injuries and his place was taken by the erratic Von Clay, which led to the attendance at the Westfalen Hall dropping to some 6,000. The unpredictable American came in at the last minute and took a defeat on points for his trouble. Peter Gumpert, who got into world ratings by wins over Halafihi, Ball and Dave Rent, went to pieces when least expected, against the tough Slav, Yvan Prebeg, a muscular cruiser with a none too solid chinpiece. Prebeg got in first and decked the German champion three times before the ref halted the massacre in the seventh round. Wilbert McClure, now residing in Europe, put on brilliant display worthy of Sugar Ray in his golden epoch, stopping the tough Yugoslav, like Maric, in six rounds. Willi Quatuor seemed to have earned the nod against Michele Gullotti after a hard lightweight slam but the judges opted for a draw while Klaus Jaeger, bantam champion but still learning, was forced to fight like fury to share the honors with another Italian, Salvatore Gennatiempo.

BERLIN—After a long break, chiefly due to the inactivity of Gustav Scholz, the Sports Palace was again the venue for a big program, drawing a maximum attendance of 8,500. Karl Mildenberger topped the bill against Archie McBride, who has quite a rep in Continental rings due to his fine performances against Johansson, Westphal and Nitzschke. McBride came in at 178, a stone lighter than his adversary.

The American did grand work with his left to the face and blacked out Mildenberger's right eye from the fourth round, having no bother with the Teut

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LONDON DEFEATS MCNEELEY

LYMPIA CIRCUS, LONDON ... The heavyweight boxing bout between Brian London, Blackpool, 209, and Tom McNeeley, Boston, U.S.A., 203, could best be described as "A Pier 6 Brawl," shoulders-heads-forearms were used. At the end of the ten rounder, referee Harry Gibbs raised the hand of London as the winner, but I would have handed the decision to Referee Gibbs for the way he slipped and sidestepped many of the swings that came very near to his

Billy Waker, West Ham, 193, will go down in the record books as having knocked out Peter Bates, Doncaster, 211, in the second round, BUT there will be many that will argue that the final blow in which Bates failed to beat the count, was in the prohibited area. . . . The Yorkshire Publican Bates held the advantage in the first with solid lefts to Walker's head, and to the latter's credit, he came back towards the end of the round to score with a right to the head.

Referee Bill Williams had to caution Walker for low blows and in the second round the same thing happened. Soon after, Bates received what seemed to be a low delivery forcing Bates to fall slowly to the canvas clutching the lower part of his body. After Walker was taken to the neutral corner, referee Williams took up the count and the fatal "OUT" was called as he slowly tried to straighten himself. It was an unfortunate ending to what was developing into a fine contest. My opinion was that Referee Williams was unsighted when the last blow landed.

Another unsatisfactory ending to a contest was that between Jimmy McGrail, Liverpool, 146, and Brian Husband, Hull, 1471/4, which ended as the bell rang for the termination of the first round. McGrail dealt out considerable punishment driving Husband around the ring, when McGrail started a perfect left hook which landed just as the gong HAD sounded. It must have been a mere fraction of a second between start and finish of the blow landing, with Husband falling backwards to the canvas with his head striking the boards. Referee Ben Stichbury DISQUALIFIED McGrail for striking after the bell. When this was announced to the crowd, a near riot broke out.

Frankie Taylor, Lancaster, 126, outclassed Jean Leroux, France, 126, and the (right) lands a right to the jaw of Tom McNeeley early in the fourth round of their bout at the Olympia Circus in London. Brian floored the American for a seven count in this round as he won a one-sided verdict in a rough and ready fight.



bout was stopped after 2.35 of the first round. Lenny "The Lion" Williams, Maesteg, 1271/2, knocked out Jimmy Carson, Belfast, 133, a late substitute, in 1:55 of the second round.

Chris Elliott, Leicester, 1271/4, gained a points win over Dave Coventry, Liverpool, 1371/4, in a hotly disputed eight. Harry Pickard, Battersea, 127, continued his short run victories with a fifth round win over Barry Ridge, Leicester, 128, when the referee intervened after Ridge had sustained a badly cut eye.

Derek Richards, Coventry, 172, was too good for John Martindale, Stepney, 1741/4, and the one sided contest was stopped in the first.

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in a scheduled 10 rounder . . . This was a determined effort on the part of The Britisher to regain his standing as a challenger for The World Title, after losing to Doug Vaillant and His Empire Title to "Bunny" Grant of Jamaica.

From the first gong Charnley took the initiative but found Cason more than willing to meet him halfway with a stinging right that soon had Charnley's face reddened. The effects of Charnley's punching could not be detected on Cason's head or body, but he took some of the Britisher's blows without flinching. The body blows of Charnley head their desired effect in the seventh. The pace set by both boxers was fought at a terrific speed with not a clinch to bother the referee. And how the crowd enjoyed this set-to, Jetro was declared the loser on points. He will be welcomed back again in the British Ring . . . At the weigh-in, Charnley scaled 137, and Cason 138.

It was a foggy day in London last December when "A RINGER" was produced in place of Belarmino Fragoso, Portuguese lightweight Champion, who was disposed in three rounds, by Vic Andreeti; Hoxton. Promoter Solomons always with an eye for intriguing matches, soon had The Original under contract, and re-shuffling his program matched Fragoso against Andreetti in a scheduled 10 rounds. It took Andreetti just 2:05 of the first round to score a knock out. Both weighed 137.

Billy "The Kid" Davis, Bow 1303/4 had himself

to blame in losing the points decision over Michel Atlan, France, 126½, at the end of ten interesting sessions. For the first half of the bout Davis held the lead, but the French lad overcame this in the latter rounds with a two handed barrage of blows to the head. The crowd did not take kindly to the referee's decision.

Floyd Robertson, Ghana, British Empire Featherweight Champion, 134½, clearly outpointed Kenny Field, Hoxton, 135, in ten. Dennis Read, Croydon, 152, clearly outpointed Pat O'Grady, Bermondsey, 164, in a very interesting eight. Steve Hiser, Deptford, 146, made a good debut into the professional ranks with a good win over Ray Strrup, Liverpool, 140¾, when Referee Benny Caplan intervened during the fouth to save the latter from further punishment. With experience among the pros, Hiser will be heard from during 1963. The name is STEVE HISER. Watch his progress. Johnny Jackson, Bermondsey, 158 outpointed Dave Wheeler Canning Town, 156 in progress. Johnny Jackson, Bermondsey, 158 out-pointed Dave Wheeler, Canning Town, 156, in four.

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MANCHESTER... Chic Calderwood, Craigneuk, British Cruiserweight Champion, 180½, gave Ray Shiel, St. Helens, 199½, a boxing lesson in their ten rounder at Popular Gus Demmy's promotion at The Free Trade Hall. Shiel could not get past the long prodding left of The Scot.

Jackie Brown, Glasgow, British & Empire Flyweight Champion was in rare form against Alex O'Neil, Belfast, who was on the receiving end from the start and when the tough Irishman received a badly cut and swollen left eye, referee Wally Thom intervened at the end of the seventh in favour of Brown.

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Joe Woodhouse, Glasgow, 129, outpointed Horace Jowsey, Manchester, 131½, in a hectic six.

Barry Calderwood, Salford, 146, scored a good points win over "Sugar" Ray Johnson, London, 146, in six. Brian Smith, Balfast, 129½, stopped Neil Hawcroft, Shieffield, 128½, in the fifth.

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Johnny Cooke, Bootle, 147½, in his second welterweight bout, gained a clear points win at the expense of Johnny Kramer, West Ham, 148¾, in a spirited eight. Dave Ould, Bermondsey, 189½, stopped Brian Daltrey, Spitalfields, 187, when the latter retired at the end of the sixth. Ron Richardson, Canning Town, 152¼, stopped Eric Young, Walworth, 151, in the fourth.

Derek Richards, Blackfriars, 170½, in his first professional contest, stopped Tony Ross, Moseley, 181, in the first, after the latter had taken two counts.

With regret that I report the passing of Ernie

With regret that I report the passing of Ernie Jarvis, the perky little flyweight of the 1920-1930

era at the age of 58. In his later years "Jarvo" as he was called, was boxing reporter for The Weekly newspaper "THE PEOPLE." Rest In Peace. Another flyweight of yesteryear to pass to the great beyond, was Jack Bates of Collyhurst, After wording, Baterier and Johnny King. He was 56 years of age ... He will be sadly missed in Northern Boxing Circles ... Rest In Peace.

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LEICESTER... Johnny Prescott, Birmingham, 189½, showing more "Liverson", 181½, and the bout was stopped in the second. Roland Stantard Brian Research Research Rese

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

(UP TO FEBRUARY 21, 1963)

HEAVYWEIGHTS

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 1. Henry Cooper (E)
 2. Dick Richardson (W)
 3. Robert Cleroux (C)
 4. Joe Erskine (W)
 5. Brian London (E)
 6. Jim Cooper (E)
 7. Joe Bygraves (J)
 8. Leweni Waqa (Fi)
 9. George Mahoni (NZ)
 10. Johnny Prescott (E)

LIGHTWEIGHTS

- 1. Bunny Grant (J)
 2. Dave Charnley (E)
 3. Maurice Cullen (E)
 4. Sammy McSpadden (S)
 5. Vic Andreetti (E)
 6. Love Allotey (G)
 7. Aldo Pravisini (A)
 8. Ceavre Bracken (A)
- 8. George Bracken (A)
 9. Billy Davis (E)
 10. Dave Coventry (E)

CRUISERWEIGHTS

- 1. Chic Calderwood (S) Johnny Halifihi (To) Alan Harmon (J)
- 4. Bob Nicholson (E) Stan Cullis (E) Ron Redrup (E)
- 7. Clive Stewart (A) 8. Earl Nikora (NZ)
 9. Johnny Ould (E)
 10. Jack Bodell (E)

FEATHERWEIGHTS

- 1. Joe (Rafiu) King (N)
 2. Howard Winstone (W)
 3. Johnny Morrissey (S)
 4. Floyd Robertson (G)
 5. Kimpo Amarfio (G)
 6. Bobby Fisher (S)
 7. Phil Ludgren (E)
 8. Dennis Adiia (G)
- 8. Dennis Adjie (G)
 9. Wally Taylor (A)
 10. George Bowes (E)

1. Dick Tiger (N)
2. Yama Bahama (B)
3. Terry Downes (E)
4. George Aldridge (E)
5. Mick Leahy (E)
6. Wally Swift (E)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

- 7. Gomeo Brennan (B)
- 8. Blair Richardson (C)
 9. Wilf Greaves (C)
 10. Syd Parkinson (E)

BANTAMWEIGHTS

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 1. Freddie Gilroy (I)

 2. Johnny Caldwell (I)

 3. Terry Crimmins (W)

 4. Brian Cartwright (E)

 5. Brian Bissmire (E)

 6. Don Weller (E)

 7. Dai Corp (W)

 8. Ollie Taylor (A)

 9. Mick Hussey (E)

 10. Alex Ambrose (S)

WELTERWEIGHTS

- Brian Curvis (W)
 Sid Prior (A)
 Tony Smith (E)
- 3. Tony Smith (E)
 4. Jimmy McGrail (E)
 5. Gale Kerwin (C)
 6. Gary Cowburn (A)
 7. Johnny Cooke (E)
 8. Peter Schmidt (C)
 9. Johnny Kramer (E)
 10. Jimmy Gibson (S)

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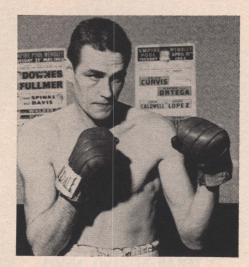
- 1. Jackie Brown (S) 2. Walter McGowan (S)

- 3. Rocky Gatterlari (A)
 4. Alex O'Neil (I)
 5. Obizu Obilaso (N)

- 6. Danny Lee (S)
 7. Bob Allotey (G)
 8. Jackie Bruce (A)
 9. Eddie Elston (A)
 10. Jack Treshman (A)

John McCormack left out on weight difficulties. (Middleweights) Percy Lewis-In-active (Featherweights)

LEGEND-(A) Australia; (B) Bahamas; (BG) British Guinea; (C) Canada; (E) England; (F) Fiji Islands; (G) Ghana; (IN) India; (I) Ireland; (J) Jamaica; (M) Malta; (N) Nigeria; (NZ) New Zealand; (S) Scotland; (SA) South Africa; (T) Trinidad; (TO) Tonga; (W) Wales; (BH) British Honduras.



Denis Read, young middleweight prospect from the Chelsea sector of London, who has made rapid progress since turning pro last summer.

Jack Solomons took time out to promote his first British Title Contest in Scotland, when he matched the Welsh Featherweight, Howard Winstone, in his quest for a second Lonsdale Belt against Scotland's most popular featherweight Johnny Morrissey, Carfin.

Winstone, was in brilliant form, using every punch in the book against the determined Scot who tried very hard to connect with his two-handed attacks to cut down the clever Welshman. It was the best performance I have seen of Winstone's professional's career, he never put a foot wrong, in a matter of fact nor did he put a punch wrong on the head and body of Morrissey to the crowds Cha-Cha-cheering for The Scot.

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The Welshman dictated the bout from the start, and the popular Scot never gave up trying, but he was up against a super boxer-fighter who handed a first class exhibition to the delight of the large crowd.

The only round that I could give to The Scot, was the eighth, when he rocked Winstone with a barrage of blows. In the tenth Winstone forced Morrissey against the ropes and planted a solid right to the latter's jaws, which put him down on the canvas for a count of "eight". . He managed to gain his feet and fought back gamely to the gong . . The end was in sight as they faced each other for the Eleventh, and Winstone with a battery of blows to the head and body and The Scot rolled over once again on his back for "eight." Rising unsteady, he backed against the ropes without defense and referee Wally Thom,

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"Wonder Boy" Walter McGowran, The 20 year Scot, 114, once again gave a polished display in defeating Bernard Jubert, France, 119, in eight sparkling rounds . . . It looked like being over in the first, for a good left hook had the Frenchman on the canvas for two counts but the game lad managed to survive the round. After that it was a peek-a-boo style of the Frenchman that enabled him to last the full course.

Johnny Mallon, Glasgow, 117, outpointed Eddie Barraclough, Sheffield, 120, in eight. Ian McKenzier, Ayr, 158, stopped Clem Winchester, Trinidad, 155, in the fourth.

Norrie McCullough, Glasgow, 14614, outpointed "Panther" Cyral, Glasgow, 150, in six . . . Bobby Keddie, Glasgow, 150, stopped Teddy Gardner, Croydon, 1953, in the fifth.

BOXING IN PINE TREE STATE By Ed Griffin

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Boxing came back to Maine after a long layoff of three years, It started late November with Freddy Butts, Portland, 147 pounder, picking up three wins to bring his record to 12-1. He topped six main events in Miami, Fla., in the early part of 1962.

In January, Robert Cleroux, Montreal, ninth ranking heavyweight of the world, picked up two KO wins. Both events were in Lewiston before a packed house of 1500.

Here are the results: Lewiston, Jan. 14th Robert Cleroux knocked out Billy Tisdale of Bridgeport, Conn., in 2:03 of seventh round. It was a boxer against a bullish slugger. Cleroux was too strong at 202 to Tisdale 185. Tisdale made things interesting all the way.

Jim McDermott Portland TKO'd John Jay of Boston in 1:34 of second in six-round semi-finals. Both are middleweights.

In a bantamweight four-rounder "Chick" Cicotte of Brunswick Naval Air Station made it rhew peo qina in as many starts by winning by TKO in 1:30 of third.

Larry "Lefty" Charest, 135, Lewiston, KO'd Fred Gasken, 134, Roxbury, Mass., in 1:50 of second.

Bob Thomas, Gardner, KO'd Wally Evans, Bos-

second.

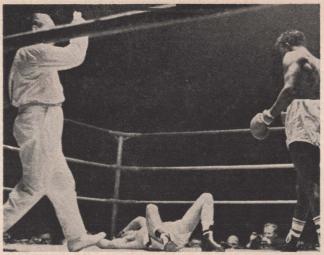
Fred Gasken, 134, Roxbury, Mass., in 1:50 of second.

Bob Thomas, Gardner, KO'd Wally Evans, Boston, 1:14 of first. Both are junior welterweights.

Lewiston, Jan. 28th
Robert Cleroux, 204, of Canada, KO'd Stonewall Gene Jackson, 214, Cleveland, Ohio, in 31 seconds of third round, with a left hook to body and a overhand right to jaw.

In the semi-final Larry "Lefty" Charest, 17-year-old lightweight at 134 pounds, stopped Billy Paris, 135, of Gloucester, Mass., in fourth after Paris was way ahead on points. Paris ran out of gas. Charest is a southpaw with plenty of moxie. In four rounders, Jimmy McDermott, 164, Portland, took a unanimous decision from Dick Walker, 161, of Boston.

Al Poulin 138 Lewiston il'd Boy Doyon 150 lbs. of Lewiston in second. Buttsy Gallant 154 of Mexico, former state welterweight champion made a comeback after five years and got a gift decision over Sylvester Jackson 156 of Boston.



▶ COPENHAGEN, Denmark—Emile Griffith, 152, had no difficulty in retaining his World Junior middles title against veteran Chris Christensen, 150½, the ref stopping the slaughter in the ninth round after the Dane had taken a merciless drubbing. Christensen let fly in the opening rounds and paid the penalty later as he was floored in the third for "8" and henceforth it was just a question of time. It was also Griffith's birthday and after the bout he put on a celebration.

GERMAN 'STARS' DISAPPOINT AGAINST AMERCAN'S MILDENBERGER SHARES POINTS WITH McBRIDE AND SCHOPPNER OUTPOINTS VON CLAY

By J. A. Tree

WESTFALENHALLE, DORTMUND - Germany's WESTFALENHALLE, DORTMUND — Germany's heavyweight champion, Erich Schöppner got the hardest fight of his 38 bout career from Von Clay of Philadelphia, who substituted for the injured Eddie Cotton. The German won on points but left the ring with a cut upper lip, cut eyebrow, cut right eye lid and gashes about the head. He took two counts for the first time since he joined the paid ranks.

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The same night in Berlin, at the Sportspalast, Karl Mildenberger battled ten rounds with Archie McBride of America to share the points. The fight was close, but most felt that the visitor had a slight advantage over the German. Mildenberger's right eye was closed from the very first round and was a severe handicap.

Westfalenhalle—results follow:
Erich Schöppner, German heavy champion, won over Von Clay (USA), in 10.
Heinz Dusing (Germany), knocked out Redis (Germany), in 3.
Wilbert McClure (America), olympic champion, stopped Nic Mario (Jugoslavia), in 6. Critics in Germany are comparing McClure with the late Marcel Cerdan,
Klaus Jager (Germany), bantam champion,

Marcel Cerdan,
Klaus Jager (Germany), bantam champion,
drew in 8 with Salvatore Gennaticampo (Italy).
Klaus Peter Gumpert (Germany), cruiser champion, undefeated in 18 professional fights, was
KOd in 7 rounds by Yvan Preby (Jugoslavia).
Willi Quatuor (Germany) feather champion,
drew in 8 with Guilotti (Italy).
Here are the Sportspalast results:
Heavyweight Karl Mildenberger (Germany),
drew with Archie McBride (America), in 10.
Heavyweight Horst Benedens (Germany), former cruiser amateur champion, having his first
professional fight, won over Albert Duscha (Germany), in 4.
Conny Rudhof (Germany), lightweight cham-

many), in 4.

Conny Rudhof (Germany), lightweight champion, won the vacant welter title by KOing Helmut Wilkens (Germany), in 7 rounds.

Heavyweight Gerhard Zech (Germany), KOd Uli Nitzschke (Germany), in 7 heats.

Lightweight Karl Furcht (Germany), KOd Peter Goschke (Germany), in 7.

BOXING IN RIO de JANIERO By Valdir Saguas

TV. Tupi Auditorium—Rio de Janeiro. FERNAN-DO BARRETO, outpointed the Argentinian middleweight, OSMAR ASTUDILLO, in 10 rounds.
TV. Tupi Auditorium—Rio de Janeiro. Welter HEITOR FERNANDES, stopped JACONIAS AMORIM, in the third round.
In semi-final bout, the lightweight, ANTONIO FERREIRA, outpointed LORENTINO DE SOUZA, in six rounds.

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TV. Tupi Auditorium—Rio de Janeiro. HEITOR FERNANDES and ESTEBAN OZZUNA, drew in 8 rounds, in a welter fight.

TV. Tupi Auditorium—Rio de Janeiro. In a middleweight fight, FORTUNATO SARAIVA outpointed LINDARIO FRANCA, in 6 rounds.

JOAO DAS DORES, outpointed the welter, ROSALVO TAVARES, in 6 rounds. In another bout, CELESTINO PINTO and LAUDELINO BATISTA drew in 10 rounds (welterweights).

TV. Tupi Auditorium—Rio de Janeiro. The Caricac Champion, HELIO CRESCENCIO "LAMBRETA", outpointed the welter, WALTER G. MORAES "AZUL", in 8 rounds.

In the semi-final bout, the flyweight ARCHIMEDES DIAS, outpointed WALDOMIRO BATISTA, in 6 rounds.

BOXING IN PORT OF SPAIN By George C. Beckles

Caesar Barrow, lightweight boxing champion of British Guiana, 137, lost a close decisio in 10 rounds to Johnny Depeiza, 136½, Trinidad's No. 1 lightweight, this was a return fight Barrow having won the first by KO in the 4th round.

Marcus Baldwin, middleweight lost on points to Hilton Thomas, middleweight lost on points to Hilton Thomas, middleweight, over 8 rounds.

Ulric Regis, heavyweight, stopped Leo Peterson, heavyweight, in the 6th.

Joe Ammond, feather, decisioned Johnny Isaacs, feather, in six.

TEXAS BOXING NEWS By Harlan Haas

San Antonio, Texas, Reuben Rodriguez, Promoter—Humberto Barrera, 122, former Olympic great, got back on the winning track after losing to Evaristo Salinas a few months back, and his victim over the 10-round haul was Jose Cejuda, 117.

Porfirio "Blackie" Zamora, 128, Corpus Christi, iced Mike Hernandez, 131, San Antonio, in three and remains one of the State's top youngsters. Ramon Arias, 150, kayoed Felipe Gallegos, 150, in the opening heat. Charley Mata, 120, stopped Mauricio Flores, 121, in the third.



Houston, Texas, Texas Boxing Enterprises—Don't you give up on "Old Bones" Joe Brown. Those old bones are restless, and surely a storm must be a'brewin' which could mean much trouble for the rest of the 135-pounders particularly champ Carlos Ortiz. Brown, 138, looked like the great lightweight boss who ruled the roost for six years when on January 22, he turned the lights out for tough Tony Noriega of Fresno, California. In the sixth he caught Noriega, 140, near the ropes—he pawed out with the left—Noriega moved slightly away from it and into the path of a whistling right hand that landed flush on the cheekbone. Noriega tried gamely to pull himself erect with use of the ropes, but was unable to do so. His corner men jumped into the ring to assist him. Look out from now on is all this writer has to say to the other 135-pounders. Steve Freeman, 129½, Houston, remained undefeated by beating Freddy Burris, 130½, Dallas, in a crowd appealing six. It was a tough go until the fourth when classy Freeman nailed Burris with a terrific shot under the heart. Steve put Burris on the deck in the fifth for an eight count, and they battled furiously throughout the sixth session.

Skyscraping Otis Lee, 200, Houston, decisioned

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Skyscraping Otis Lee, 200, Houston, decisioned roly poly Charley Roberts, 226, Houston, in a six rounder. This Roberts gains weight like Archie Moore loses it. Frank Garza, 146, Houston, a brilliant prospect, whipped Horace Davis, 143, Dallas, in a four round thriller that had Garza's balcony followers in an uproar all the way. Watch Garza as he's a four times Regional Golden Glove champ, and three times was voted Houston's outstanding Golden Glove fighter.

In another four round boi, tall Carlyle Wright, 142, Houston, outfought stocky Beldon Paton, 140, Dallas, to remain unbeaten and like Garza he's a real hot prospect. Wright and Garza turned pro the same night in Angleton on December 13, and this was their second victories.

Amarillo, Texas, Willie Roach, Promoter—Mel Barker, 145, Austin, got the 10-round duke over Joey Parks, 145, Albuquerque, and Benny Bowser, 167, Austin, whipped Alonzo Harris, 164, Oklahoma City, in a second 10. Paul Alba, 122, iced Marshall Black, 124, in the second. Carson Watt, 160, stopped Willie Franklin, 169, in the fourth Johnny Brooks, 145, hammered out a four round win over Benito Juarez, 142. Three weeks before Juarez had fought a 10-round main event. The kid likes to fight.

San Antonio, Texas, Reuben Rodriguez, Promoter—Humberto Barrera, 120, Corpus Christi, got back at the only man to put a blemish on his otherwise spotless record, by winning a 10-round duel from Evaristo Salinas, 120, Mexico.

In the semi-final Porfirio, "Blackie" Zamora, 130, Corpus Christi, trimmed experienced Al Franklin, 127, Oklahoma City, in a good fast eight. Alfredo "Indio" Puente, 140, Mexico, edged Ruben "Chato" Herrera, 140, San Antonio, over the eight round distance. Ramon Garza, 119, got the nod over Jessie Garcia, 122, in a four round curtain raiser.

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Tony Noriega's left hook lands low on former lightweight champion Joe Brown in the third round of their bout that saw "Old Bones" stop his much younger foe in the sixth with one right hand blow to the jaw. It was the first win for Brown since dropping the title to Carlos Ortiz last April.



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